

WEATHER FORECAST.

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Wednesday:
Victoria and vicinity—Strong winds
or gales, mostly easterly and southerly,
unsettled and mild, with rain.

Victoria Daily Times

WHERE TO GO TO-NIGHT

Royal Victoria—Macchia.
Pantages—Vaudeville.
Dominion—The Woman Thou Gavest Me
Variety—Cannibals of the South Sea.
Columbia—The Unpardonable Sin.
Romano—The Ace in the Saddle.

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SCAPA FLOW CONFERENCE AT PARIS TO-DAY

ONLY SPECULATION AS TO WHO WILL BE NEW HEAD OF GOVERNMENT

Borden May Make Announcement in a Few Days; Calder Mentioned as Successor But Improbable He Would Act

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—Sir Robert Borden was at his office this morning and will attend the meeting of the Cabinet this afternoon. To representatives of the press he said he had nothing to say, but intimated that he might have an announcement to make in the course of a few days.

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—How and when a successor to Sir Robert Borden will be chosen is still undetermined. Sir Robert himself, although he declines to make any official statement, is taking no active part in the arrangements, it is understood.

A strong wing of the party apparently favors the idea of calling a Parliamentary caucus to choose Sir Robert's successor. That this course has not been formally decided upon is indicated by statements on the situation by members of the Government at present in Ottawa.

This afternoon, for the first time since Friday, the Cabinet will meet. The situation will then, no doubt, be discussed.

Mr. Calder.
Hon. J. A. Calder, Minister of Immigration, is prominently suggested to-day as a likely successor. Mr. Calder, however, is understood to have no personal ambitions in this regard, and among his friends it is thought he would not accept the mantle even if it were offered him.

Senate Appointments.
As a result of the present situation, three appointments to the Senate now pending probably will go over. It is further expected that by-elections in Temiskaming and Kamouraska will be postponed.

Speculation.
Ottawa, Dec. 16.—The proposal to nominate a leader of the Unionist forces who will succeed Sir Robert Borden as Prime Minister, either at a caucus made up of the Ministerial following in the Commons and the Senate or at a party convention, is causing considerable speculation. It is pointed out that the procedure is unusual in that, according to precedent, more particularly as established by practice in Great Britain, a retiring Prime Minister usually places the resignation of himself and the members of his Government in the hands of the representative of the King and makes a recommendation as to the man who in his opinion should be called upon to form a Government.

CHILD DECLARES FATHER MURDERER

Joliette, Que., Youngster Says 'Blind Father Killed His Mother'

Montreal, Dec. 16.—"I saw papa drag mamma into the bedroom of our house and kill her there," said ten-year-old Charles Turcotte in the course of his evidence at the inquest held in Joliette by Coroner Turgeon into the circumstances of the death early Sunday morning of Mrs. Rose Turcotte, who was found dead in her home with her skull split by an axe.

No verdict was reached by the jury, as it was decided that an autopsy should be performed on the body of the woman, who was fifty years of age.

After the death of the woman had been discovered a doctor of Joliette said Turcotte was demented and it was the doctor's opinion he had done the deed during a moment of madness.

Turcotte is blind and forty-five years of age.

Charged With Assault.

Calgary, Dec. 16.—Charles Lawson, accused of a brutal assault on Mrs. Frank Soares, of 2425 Tenth Avenue West, Monday afternoon, was arrested in his bed in the Grand Union Hotel this morning and is now in the city jail.

Lawson has just finished serving a term of six months on a conviction of passing worthless cheques on women, especially a number of wives of soldiers.

Man Was Frozen to Death in Street of Montreal Last Night

Montreal, Dec. 16.—The body of a man who had been frozen to death was found at the corner of University and St. Catherine Streets here at seven o'clock this morning. In the pockets of the clothes, papers were found with the name Alex Brown, Bank of Montreal, on them. The thermometer fell to seven below zero last night.

226 MILES AN HOUR RECORD MADE BY FRENCH AVIATOR

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Oil Concessions.

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Leninists Now Say 1,300 British Soldiers Killed by Persians

London, Dec. 16.—A Bolshevik wireless message from Moscow to-day claims that 1,300 British troops in Persia have been wiped out by the hostile population. The troops, the dispatch says, comprised the garrison of the town of Meshed (possibly Meshed, in Northeastern Persia, northwest of Herat, Afghanistan.)

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Canadian Products to be Displayed at London Exhibition

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GREEKS INFLECT LOSSES ON TURKS

Communicate Indicates There Is Still Skirmishing in Asia Minor

Salonica, Dec. 15.—Via London, Dec. 15.—A statement issued by Greek Headquarters to-day says: "One of our detachments, clearing the heights North of Imanky of the enemy, engaged 300 Turkish rebels with machine guns. The Turks were pursued to the mountain heights of Kouchak. During an engagement on the main northwest of Aidin one of our detachments captured many tents, rifles, medical supplies, foodstuffs and old uniforms. Our losses were four soldiers killed and one captain and fifteen soldiers wounded. The known losses of the enemy were six killed.

"Attacks of Turkish rebels against Odemish and the village of Kainakdj and against our posts in the regions of Aidin and Magnesia have been repulsed.

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SOME CONTROL OF FOOD IN BRITAIN FOR THREE YEARS

London, Dec. 16.—George H. Roberts, the Food Controller, announced in the House of Commons to-day that all agricultural products except wheat would be free from control after January, but said some degree of control over the food supplies would have to be exercised for the next three years at least.

\$25,000 FIRE IN SARNIA, ONTARIO

Sarnia, Ont., Dec. 16.—Fire of unknown origin, aided by a high wind and frozen hydrants, did \$25,000 damage to the plant of the Covered Metal Corporation here to-day.

WILL SANTA BRING "GOOD BOY" ENGINE AND TRACK?

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good boy, and I want you to bring me a engine and cars and track for them to run on. My Daddy is at the war and mother has not got much money and I hope you won't forget me and by me these things:
YOUR GOOD BOY.

Such is one of the many letters that are received at the Post Office these days, addressed to Santa Claus, and forwarded to the big-hearted men in charge of the Rotary Christmas Tree Fund. The children usually ask for toys, and, if the more fortunate people of Victoria wish it, they will get them. But in most cases, while the children, like children the world over, want the bright things that make a real Christmas, often they really need food, fuel and clothing, as has been revealed time after time by the investigations that the Rotarians are making. The struggling mother of the "Good Boy" whose letter is quoted, has all she can do with Daddy absent at the war, to keep her family warm and fed without buying the train and cars. And were it not for the Christmas Tree Fund the poor woman might be unable even to do that much. The Rotary Santa Claus, however, will see that she is not allowed to spend Christmas in cold and hunger.

Unless Victorians subscribe far more than they have up to the present to the Christmas Tree Fund, however, there will be many such cases that will not be reached. Thousands of dollars could be spent this year upon absolute necessities, and there still would be suffering. Far more money than was raised last year is required on account of the higher price of commodities and the prevailing unemployment.

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Total	\$2,295.26

ADVANCES CLAIMED BY THE BOLSHEVIKI

Reds Say They Took Town 390 Miles East of Omsk

Claim They Captured Over 5,000 Soldiers of Kolchak's Army

London, Dec. 16.—A Bolshevik communique received by wireless to-day says Bolshevik troops captured Novo-Nikolaevsk on the Trans-Siberian railroad, December 14. The statement says over 5,000 prisoners, many guns and several generals of the Kolchak army were taken by the Soviet troops.

The Moscow statement records a general advance by the Bolsheviks on all fronts. The staff of the famous cavalry division of General Mamontoff was captured to the north of Piatin, each of Kiev, and numbers of prisoners were taken in other sections, the message asserts.

A communique from General Denikin received to-day admits a retirement of his troops in the region of Kursk, and also in the Don and Kharkov districts.

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MEWBURN STATES HE WAS MISQUOTED

Did Not Intimate Canada Would Have Compulsory Service

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—"I certainly did not give, as reported in the press, an intimation of some form of compulsory service for Canada, both in the permanent force and the Canadian active militia," said Major-General Hon. S. C. Mewburn, Minister of Militia, when asked this morning with regard to the newspaper reports of his speech at a dinner to Major-General E. Wilson, the retiring commandant of the Montreal district.

Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, Minister of Marine and the Naval Service, also stated that his speech at the dinner had been misrepresented inasmuch as he had made no intimation that he, the cabinet or the Canadian Parliament would necessarily accept or act on the advice of Admiral Lord Jellicoe or any other naval authority in adopting a naval programme.

Attempt on Life of General Obregon in Mexico City Capital

Agua Prieta, Sonora, Mex., Dec. 16.—Private advices received here from Mexico City to-day were to the effect that an attempt was made last Thursday to take the life of General Alvarado Obregon, candidate for the Presidency of the republic, after he had addressed a public gathering in one of the suburbs of the capital. The would-be assassin was jailed.

Belgium Demanding Position of Security for the Years to Come

Brussels, Dec. 16.—The Belgian Government will refuse absolutely to return to its state of neutrality, according to The Independence Belge.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY NITTI ON FIUME EXPECTED TO-MORROW

Rome, Dec. 16.—Both The Epoca and The Giornale d'Italia express the belief to-day that an announcement of the solution of the Fiume controversy will be made by Premier Nitti at to-morrow's session of the Chamber of Deputies.

ALLIED EXPERTS TALK WITH GERMANS ABOUT PAYMENT FOR VESSELS

Entente Representatives Meet German Delegates and Discuss Germany's Method of Paying for Ships Sunk at Scapa Flow

Paris, Dec. 16.—German and Allied experts met here this afternoon to discuss the mode of reparation to be followed by the Germans in payment for the sinking of German warships at Scapa Flow. The conference was presided over by Louis Loucheur, French representative on the Reparations Commission.

The German delegation, which is headed by Councillor Seelinger, a member of the commercial department of the German Foreign Ministry, consists of Rudolph Brohm, a representative of the Hamburg shipyards; Councillor Bich, of the Ministry of Public Works; Dr. Felsler, director of the Hamburg-American Line; Dr. Petens, director of the Weser Shipyards at Bremen; a representative of the Hamburg Government, and Paul Muller, representing three groups of seamen.

URGES GOVERNMENT TO BUILD SHIPS

Mr. Oliver Gives Delegation Reasons For Not Proceeding to Ottawa at Once

After hearing the representations of a delegation of returned men, who urged him to go to Ottawa to ask the Federal Government to provide employment on the Island, Premier Oliver last night telegraphed to Hon. S. F. Tolmie, Minister of Agriculture, urging that if possible the Government should place orders for wooden ships here and proceed with other public works.

The Premier explained that it would be almost impossible for him to leave the province at present, and expressed the view that on account of the chaotic political conditions prevailing at the capital it was an unfavorable time for making representations to the Government.

In any case, he thought that it would not be well for him to intercede personally until the results obtained by the civic delegation at present on the way to Ottawa had been made known.

Would Have Premier Go East
The delegation which met the Premier last night was appointed at a mass meeting of returned men on Friday. It consisted of Comrades Atan, Berry and Webb. As instructed by the meeting, they asked Mr. Oliver to proceed immediately to Ottawa to take up with the Government.

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FOR UNIVERSITY.

Quebec, Dec. 16.—It is considered likely that the Quebec Government will advance \$1,000,000 to help reconstruct Laval University, Montreal, which was recently destroyed by fire.

The delegates arrived this morning in a special car attached to an ordinary express train. There was no incident at the station, but the crowds regarded the Germans with interest.

The German note in reply to the Allied communication demanding the signing of the protocol to the peace treaty was taken up by the Supreme Council at this morning's session.

A portion of the German note was sent to legal experts for examination. The Council's consideration of the German communication was of a general nature. It was stated that a reply would be made after examination of the document.

German Ideas.
Berlin, Dec. 16.—The German Government's idea regarding compensation for the sinking of the Scapa Flow fleet is to offer such harbor material as can be spared without seriously disturbing Germany's economic life. The remainder of The Morgen Post. The remainder of the amount of tonnage decided upon as compensation would be applied to the construction of the new production of the German shipbuilding industry.

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LIGNITE PLANT TO BE ERECTED

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—Reports received from the Lignite Utilization Board by the Research Council of Canada indicate that a plant will be in operation near Ezevan, Sask., in August next, which will turn out 20,000 tons of briquettes a year, and these briquettes will sell for about 25.00 a ton in Winnipeg.

This plant, it is said, will be the beginning of an industry which in a great measure will serve to solve the fuel problems of the prairies, for these briquettes will be equal, ton for ton, to anthracite in character and keeping qualities.

Dr. A. D. McAllum, administrative chairman of the Research Council, instanced the case of some 30,000 tons of Alberta coal of the inferior variety having been shipped to Winnipeg last year. It gave such poor results that the users declared they would have no more Alberta coal, and this winter purchased their supplies at higher prices in the United States, despite the fact that much of the Alberta coal is of excellent heat and keeping quality.

The words of a weak woman often carry more weight than the muscles of a strong man.

SIR JOHN JACKSON, CONTRACTOR, DIES

Was Head of Company Which Built Victoria Breakwater

London, Dec. 16.—Sir John Jackson, famous as a contractor for public works in various parts of the world, died here yesterday. He was born in 1837.

Sir John was a civil engineer of note. Among the great projects in which he aided were the Manchester Ship Canal, the great railway across the Andes from Arica, on the Pacific Coast, to La Paz, Bolivia; the great barrages across the Euphrates River near Babylon; the Mesopotamia irrigation works, and harbor works in Canada, South Africa, Singapore and other places. He was made a knight in 1893.

Sir John Jackson was one of Britain's foremost engineers. He undertook some of the greatest engineering contracts opened for world competition within the past forty years. Among his work were the construction of the foundations for the famous Tower Bridge at London, the building of Dover Harbor and the construction of the gigantic docks at Keyham Dockyard, Devonport.

The late engineer was awarded the contract for the Ogden Point breakwater and commenced work on it immediately after completing a big contract at Singapore. His activities were not restricted to the British Isles. He was a keen competitor for harbor works in all parts of the world.

Sir John visited Victoria in December, 1911, in connection with the construction of the local breakwater. He was born in York in 1831 and was educated at the University of Edinburgh. He represented Devonport in Parliament from 1910 until 1918 and was one of the royal commissioners appointed to inquire into the South African war.

BACK TO AUSTRALIA.

Nelson, Dec. 16.—After eight years as city electrician of Nelson with charge of all the city's public utilities, H. P. Thomas has resigned in order to return to Australia. He will be succeeded by D. T. Maguire, chief electrical engineer for the last eight years at the smelter of the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company at Trail.

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SOME BLOWS BY SIBERIAN ARMY

Irkutsk, Dec. 15.—(Russian Telegram Agency)—The Siberian army continues to retreat before the Bolsheviks, but from time to time is delivering short but successful blows against the enemy, according to an official communication issued by the general staff of the Siberian army to-day.

From Omsk the Bolsheviks have advanced about 217 miles, according to the statement, which adds that the natural conditions of the territory are unfit for the offering of a serious defence.

Refugees arriving here from Omsk assert that after the former capital of the Kolchak Government was captured by the Bolsheviks Chinese troops immediately began pillaging and robbing the people and shooting down officers. In numerous instances officers were taken to the river and—plunged into the water through ice holes, their ice-covered bodies being afterwards thrown into the streets.

The All-Russian Government has issued a decree increasing the salaries of officers and men and giving pensions to their families.

MORE PRODUCTION URGED IN BRITAIN

London, Dec. 15.—The committee on post-war currency and foreign exchange has issued a white paper recommending certain measures for the economic restoration of the nation.

"Increased production, cessation of borrowing and increased expenditure both by the Government and individual members of the nation are the first essentials of recovery," the report says.

DEATH SENTENCES GIVEN AT BUDAPEST

Budapest, Dec. 12.—Delayed—Sentencing of the Communists recently convicted of crimes during the Bela Kun dictatorship began to-day. Fourteen were sentenced to death by hanging, one to life imprisonment and a large number to terms of various periods at hard labor.

CHARGES DROPPED.

Indianapolis, Dec. 15.—Hearing on the contempt charges against International and district officials of the United Mine Workers of America, except the case against Alexander Howat, president of the Kansas district, was postponed indefinitely when called in the United States district court here to-day. Howat was ordered to appear next Monday, December 22, by United States District Judge A. B. Anderson.

PILES

Do not suffer another day with bleeding piles. No operation required. Dr. Chase's Ointment cures you; 40c a box; all dealers, or write to Dr. Chase & Co., Limited, Toronto. Sample box free if you mention this paper and enclose 5c stamp to pay postage.

GERMANY READY TO MAKE REPARATION

For Warships Sunk; But Wants Allies to Change Plan

Paris, Dec. 15.—The German note in reply to the Entente, delivered yesterday to Paul Dutasta, Secretary of the Peace Conference, says:

"The German Government desires to dispense the misunderstanding that owing to the absence of American delegates from the commission provided for by the treaty, Germany claimed modification and disposal of the treaty concerning the extradition of persons charged with culpability in acts contrary to military law, or the repatriation of prisoners. The German Government previous to receiving the Allied note had already explained the reasons why it would appear necessary to modify the conditions for the execution of these clauses, but the German Government never made its assent for the putting into force of the peace treaty conditional upon a previous solution of that question."

To Tribunal. "The German Government maintains its opinion that the best means to reach a solution of the Scapa Flow incident would have been to submit the case to international arbitration at The Hague. Such a measure would not have delayed putting the treaty into force, or the signing of the protocol thus modified. "Desirous, however, of doing its utmost for the early re-establishment of peace, the German Government declares itself ready to make reparation for the damages caused to the Allied and Associated Governments by the destruction of the ships."

"But the German Government is unable to effect such reparation in the manner demanded by the protocol on November 1, because the execution of the demands formulated in that protocol would compromise irretrievably Germany's economic life, and also render impossible of execution the other enormous obligations which the treaty imposes on Germany."

Proposals. "The German Government will formulate, through experts, positive detailed propositions showing a mode of reparation, which, although adding a new and heavy burden on Germany in its present situation, are not altogether incompatible with its vital interests."

The reply takes note of the expressed intention of the Allies to repatriate the German prisoners as soon as the negotiations are exhausted. The note demands that the crews of the sunken warships be set at liberty.

It closes with an expression of the hope that through the means just set forth the peace that has been so much desired will at last be realized.

BRITAIN'S DEBT.

London, Dec. 15.—Rt. Hon. J. Austen Chamberlain, Chancellor of the Exchequer, declared in the Commons yesterday that as far as could be foreseen, the highest point in the national debt would be reached in the course of a month or six weeks. He said he hoped thereafter to effect a gradual reduction of the gross British debt.

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WOMEN SAY TOO MANY HORSES NOW SLIPPING ON STREETS

The danger to horses through the slippery condition of pavements during early mornings, was brought to the attention of the City Council last night by the Local Council of Women, at the suggestion of the Victoria City Dairy Co.

Mrs. G. H. Burns, Corresponding Secretary of the Local Council of Women, declared the city should sand the steeper streets of the city overnight, in order to lessen the strain on the horses.

The Chairman of the Streets Committee and the City Engineer were instructed to see what could be done.

VANCOUVER MAN UNABLE TO STAND SHOES ON HIS FEET

Four Years of Rheumatism Was Quickly Overcome by Taking Tanlac

"Since Tanlac has over my four years of troubles, I can't remember when I ever felt better in my whole life than I do now," said James Robinson, a well-known employee of the P. Burns Packing Co., who lives at 1945 Broadway West, Vancouver, B. C.

"For four years I have been troubled with indigestion so bad that I could eat hardly a thing that would agree with me," continued Mr. Robinson, "and rheumatism bothered me so much that at times I was unable to walk. My appetite was so poor that I had to force down what little I did eat, and even that would sour and cause me no end of misery. Often I would have terrible bilious attacks that would leave me with an awful weak feeling and gas would press up into my chest and give me severe pains under my heart. I had pains in my back between my shoulders, and at times they would wake me up in the middle of the night, and it would be some time before I could get back to sleep again. When I got up in the morning I always felt dizzy and often I would have severe headaches. But my worst trouble was with the rheumatic pains in my feet and ankles. Why the pains were so bad that I would have to keep my feet in a basin of hot water for hours at a time, and then rub them with liniment to get relief. I could not stand my shoes on my feet long at a time, and would have to change them to ease the pain. I tried all sorts of medicine and even stayed in the hospital for over a month, but all the time I was gradually growing worse."

"After reading about what Tanlac was doing for so many people over the United States, I decided to try it myself. Well, it has done so much for me that I think it is my time to talk—other people have been telling me what Tanlac did for them—now I want to tell others what it has done for me. The rheumatism has completely left me, and I have all good use of my feet and ankles as I ever did. I haven't a sign of indigestion, and I can eat anything I want without any bad effects; in fact, the biggest trouble I have now is getting enough to eat. The pains under my heart and in my back have all gone, and I am never troubled any more with dizzy spells or headaches. I am never bothered in any way now, and I have picked up in weight and strength right along, and I just seem to have new life and energy about me. I am certainly ready to back Tanlac up for it has put me back on my feet after everything else failed." Tanlac is sold in Victoria by D. E. Campbell, corner Fort and Douglas—Adv.

THE PEACE-TIME ROYAL AIR FORCE

London, Dec. 15.—Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill, Secretary for War, has prepared a scheme for the Royal Air Force organization in peace time, based on the expenditure of \$15,000,000 yearly. The main outlines provide for one flight squadron for each division of the army, to co-operate with the troops in all stages of their training, besides three general service squadrons, and also one or more squadrons for co-operation with the artillery.

ALBERTA LEGISLATURE

Edmonton, Dec. 15.—The Alberta Legislature will meet in the early part of February, it was stated yesterday by Premier Stewart. The exact time has not yet been set but probably will not be later than February 10, and it is possible earlier.



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HUGHES HAS SMALL WORKING MAJORITY IN AUSTRALIAN HOUSE

London, Dec. 15.—According to the latest returns from the Australian general election received here, the Nationalists secured thirty-five seats, the Farmers' Party, eleven and the Labor Party twenty-nine. The Farmers will co-operate with the Nationalists, which will give Mr. Hughes a working majority, but the gains of the farmers have been made at the expense of a section, which Mr. Hughes leads. Labor has six more seats than in the last Parliament, and there are fourteen fewer pledged supporters of Mr. Hughes.

It is a victory, says The Westminster Gazette, that trembles on the verge of a disaster, the more so as Mr. Hughes, like the Liberals in the

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British Coalition Government, has joined with a party to which he was opposed, and to which his own personal following is in a minority. He will carry on for the time being, no doubt, but the hand-writing is on the wall.

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PRESENT SESSIONParliament Will Have Bill
Next Session, Says
Lloyd George

London, Dec. 15.—Mr. Lloyd George announced in the Commons yesterday afternoon that no Irish Bill would be introduced at this session of Parliament. He promised a statement on Monday next giving an outline of the measure.

To Maintain Order
Reply to a question of William Wedgwood Benn, Liberal, as to whether the Government intended to continue military repression of Ireland until next year, the Prime Minister, amid cheers, said it was the intention of the Government to maintain law and order.

The Jonah.
London, Dec. 15.—The Times, in an editorial expressing general discontent at the Government's achievements this session, points to Sir Auckland Geddes as the Jonah of the Cabinet. The Prime Minister, proceeds The Times, is still out of touch with parliamentary opinion, is clinging to a semi-presidential position and is encouraging Geddes to attempt to combine an unprecedented degree of autocracy in executive decisions with constant recourse to expediency and shifts in the face of recurrent crises.

Asquith.
The Times repeats its declaration of a few weeks ago that Mr. Asquith ought to return to the House.

The very defects he showed in

war time were the defects of qualities which have their permanent value in politics," it says.

A Mix-up.
London, Dec. 15.—Another piquant situation has developed for Sir John Simon, Independent Liberal, who is being opposed in the Spen Valley constituency by a Liberal Coalition speaker sent down by the London caucus.

Dr. McNamara, Financial Secretary of the Admiralty, arranged to speak against Simon in the division next week, and now the Liberal executive at Camberwell, his own division, has told him that it proposes forthwith to select another Liberal candidate for the general election.

Likely to Spread.
The Manchester Guardian remarks that Mr. Lloyd George and his party manager, in ignoring the Spen Valley local Liberal choice and running a candidate of their own against him, have lighted a fire which is likely to spread. There is only one way of avoiding such a disaster short of putting an end to the whole coalition system, and that is to give fair play to local Liberal associations and let them choose what candidates they will, adds The Guardian.

REGINA PICKED UP
CREW OF MESSINA

Halifax, Dec. 15.—The crew of the steamship Messina is safe aboard the steamship Regina, bound for Boston. The Messina was abandoned in a sinking condition in latitude 37.29 north, longitude 33.11 west.

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FRANCE IN NEED
OF GREAT SUPPLIES
FROM THE STATES

Paris, Dec. 15.—France must spend 3,000,000,000 francs in the United States during the coming year on wheat, cotton, oats, coal and machinery, says Eugene Schneider, who has just returned from a mission on behalf of the Government of the United States.

"The American Government," The Journal quotes him as saying, "cannot and will not advance this sum."

"The situation among our overseas allies is far from being as brilliant as people might think," he said. "Unforeseen strikes have surprised the public. President Wilson's illness is impeding the whole of the machinery of government, and there are the discussions of the peace treaty. These discussions should be regarded in their true light—that is, that the opposition reported is not solely political. For the Senate Republicans, the League of Nations represents a breach of the constitution."

"This does not mean that the American Government will not help us. It will support every effort we make to obtain credit by private issue."

"American commerce and industry are not responsible for the exchange rate. They are upset by conditions which threaten the stopping of all business."

DUE TO HIGH PRICES.

London, Dec. 15.—Lieut. Charles M. Amery, Under-Secretary for the Colonies, announced in the House of Commons yesterday that the situation on the islands of Trinidad and Tobago, in the West Indies, where rioting occurred a few days ago, was well in hand. He said he believed the disorders were due to the increased cost of living.

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COMING OUT EARLY.

It is good to see candidates for municipal office announce themselves well in advance of the time of the elections. This gives electors an opportunity of taking the measure of those who intend to seek their suffrages, and stimulates a study of municipal problems and policies. Notwithstanding the shortcomings of our representative system, countries and communities are fairly well mirrored by their governments; the electorate invariably sets up a governing body which is a pretty accurate type of itself. If it is an extravagant electorate, like the electorate of Victoria was in 1911 and 1912, it will have an improvident and extravagant body to run its business, and vice versa.

No miracles of municipal administration will be performed in 1920, no matter how perfect may be the personnel of our Mayor and Council. We could not expect them even if we were governed by a committee of archangels, for our problems are largely the consequences of the boom of seven years ago, since complicated by the war, and in a very large degree are common to most municipalities in western Canada. There is, moreover, the handicap imposed by our present municipal system, under which the biggest business in Victoria, the business of the people, is carried on without any guarantee of continuity or permanence beyond twelve months.

We have had many able and successful business men in our Council at various periods and, although they entered municipal life with high expectations, they found themselves compelled, by circumstances which they could not control to tread the beaten paths of their predecessors, to the great disappointment of their supporters. We never shall have really efficient municipal government until we have overhauled our municipal system, and given our public men a chance to show what actually is in them. This overhauling should be pressed for, together with the changes affecting our sources of revenue that have been urged upon the Provincial Government, as part of a very necessary programme of municipal reform.

HIS CHIEF ACHIEVEMENT.

Notwithstanding its manifold weaknesses and the fierce criticism to which it has been subjected, the creation of the Union Government, perhaps, will be regarded by the political historian of this country as Sir Robert Borden's chief achievement in public life. His object in adopting that course was to insure the more effective prosecution of the war by the elimination of party controversy, and, although he did not succeed in bringing about political unity, his motive was altogether highly creditable. Further, the Union Government, whatever its shortcomings, was a vast improvement on the Government which preceded it, and in the formation of which in 1911 Sir Robert Borden permitted himself to be influenced by too many outside interests. The Premier is roundly criticized, of course, by old-line party men for the effect his action in connection with the Union Government had upon the two historic political divisions of the country, but these developments were about due in any case. Indeed, they nearly occurred eight years ago. The farmers' political movement was bound to reach its climax soon since neither party had shown any inclination to carry out the policy which the farmers' interests demanded.

ORGANIZE FOR BUSINESS.

British Columbia is fortunate in possessing a representative in London who may yet succeed in removing some of the official prejudice against the wooden house as a practical solution to Great Britain's shortage of dwellings. There is no lack of proof that the average Canadian bungalow is capable of easy adaptability for the United Kingdom. By the end of next February three British Columbia samples, complete in every particular, will arrive in England for the purpose of demonstrating the claim made in their behalf by the Agent-General. In addition to these, three regulation British Columbia dwellings, specially prepared models built to scale, will go forward for more widespread demonstration purposes.

There should follow a large volume of business for our Province and, unless all reports reaching this country from time to time are without foundation, big contracts are to be obtained if appropriate organization is forthcoming at this end to deal with them. It appears to be a case now where the British Columbia Manufacturers' Association, in collaboration with the lumber and building industry generally, might well consider the advisability of sending a small delegation to the Old Country with a definite proposal. Orders for wooden houses from Great Britain, the European continent and Mesopotamia placed with British Columbia firms should justify an ambitious programme of commercial expansion in this Province that would make itself felt in almost every line of industry.

SIR THOMAS CAN HAVE IT.

If Sir Thomas White had remained in the Dominion Cabinet he unquestionably would have succeeded Sir Robert Borden as Prime Minister. Even as it is it is not improbable that he could have the office if he desired it. His health, however, has been none too good and this may prompt him to stand aside.

The prospects are that whoever becomes Premier will have to reconstruct a large part of the ministerial edifice, five or six Ministers being anxious to retire. This should be an advantage to Sir Robert's successor since it will give him an opportunity to strengthen the Cabinet by putting some first-class material in it. How long the Union Government will survive the retirement of its creator will be determined largely by the kind of Cabinet reorganization carried out by the new Premier.

THE BATTLESHIP.

In a recent book on the navy Admiral Sir Percy Scott, whose prophecy of the mortal menace of the submarine was so strikingly fulfilled in the war, writes: "I regarded the surface battleship as dead before the war, and I think her more dead now, if that is possible. The battleship of to-day costs \$2,000,000. She is vulnerable to aircraft with bombs and aerial torpedoes."

For \$2,000,000,000 we could build many aeroplane-carrying ships, equipped with aeroplanes, carrying 100,000 pounds of high explosives. The future is with the aeroplane, which is going to develop rapidly in the next few years. Probably we shall also have submersible battleships of 10,000 tons. What chance will a surface battleship, presenting a huge target, have against such a vessel?

We imagine the taxpayers of Great Britain, with their minds on a national debt of \$32,000,000,000, will manifest a sympathetic concern in Sir Percy Scott's opinions. Incidentally the activity of the British Government in encouraging aircraft development indicates its appreciation of the soundness of the Admiral's views.

Correspondents are reminded that communications replying to letters which appear in the morning paper should be sent to that publication for insertion.

French aviator flies 226 miles an hour. Pooh! Pooh! The earth is flying through space at the rate of 1,100 miles a minute and, as a side line, is turning on its axis at the rate of 1,000 miles an hour.

Sir H. Drayton, Minister of Finance, promises an exhaustive inquiry before there shall be a revision of the tariff. This looks like a genial stratagem to shelve a burning domestic question until after the next Dominion election. It reminds us of those numberless inquiries into the high cost of living.

When municipalities are tempted to overload themselves with obligations it is a good thing to remember that in a comparatively short time the bills will have to be paid. There is only one rule which guarantees financial solvency and stability for municipalities, as for individuals, and that is, "live within your income."

Enver Pasha has succeeded in getting himself crowned king of Kurdistan, the Turkish region lying between Mesopotamia and Persia. At least this is the news on tap in Constantinople. Enver is very unwise in the choice of a publicity agent who has betrayed his whereabouts to the Supreme Council. He has a lot to answer for and sooner or later he must answer.

Bert Abrahams, of Birmingham, will go down into the pages of history as a man of judgment and good taste. Before his virtues are recorded, however, it will be chronicled that he had been compelled to serve a prison term for stealing a watch from the Rector of Birmingham which originally belonged to the Duke of Wellington.

Even the British Islands of Trinidad and Tobago have caught the prevailing fashion and have gone in for a little disturbance of their own. Whether it be in New York or Timbuctoo, however, we note that the same antidote had to be applied. The Trinidadians and the Tobagoans got more wages and went back to work.

Although the results of the election in Australia gave the Nationalists, led by Premier Hughes, the largest following of any single party, the Farmers' Party holds the balance of power. The Nationalists have 35 seats, the Laborites 29 and the Farmers 11. The next election in Canada probably will develop similar conditions, with the farmers, however, occupying a more prominent position in the alignment. In all probability the next Government of Canada will be a coalition, just as a coalition Government has succeeded a coalition Government in Australia.

A COLD FACT.

(Acadian Recorder.)

The cold snap is about the only snap the ultimate consumer comes into contact with these days.

A SAFE PROPHECY.

(The Brantford Expositor.)

Canada's new naval policy will be brought down at the next session of the Dominion Parliament. When it is brought down it is pretty safe to predict that it will more closely resemble the Laurier policy of a Canadian navy than the Borden policy of "contributions."

BUSINESS MAN REQUIRED.

(Quebec Telegraph.)

There is much solid work to be performed in the offices of the London Canadian Trade Commissioner, which is of vital importance to Canada's future commercial welfare, and it is suicidal judgment to send any other than a practical business man to England, for the next five or ten years. We would also go further and say that the agent should be a young man, full of vigor and business ability, who will not only do Canada credit, in the fulfillment of his duties, but will be able to impress upon the Imperial administrators that Canada must have an equal show in obtaining her share of the world's commerce. We do not want a repetition of the Imperial shipping administration, which, at the close of the war, handicapped Canadian trade, repeated in our future commercial relationship between Great Britain and Canada.

URGES GOVERNMENT TO BUILD SHIPS

(Continued from page 1.)

ment the whole question of unemployment and the necessity of providing work for the returned soldiers. They suggested that the Premier take with him one private citizen, whom he would name himself.

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The delegation complained of the Federal Government's action in doling out \$40,000,000 to the returned men. Premier Oliver recounted, when discussing the matter with a Times representative this morning, "taking the ground—and I think rightly—that the Government should take steps to provide employment. The delegation seemed to think that the construction of wooden ships would be the quickest way of partially remedying the situation. I advised the delegation that it would be almost impossible for me to leave the Province at present, that, on account of the retirement of Sir Robert Borden and the consequent chaotic political conditions prevailing at Ottawa and also on account of the proximity of the Christmas holidays, it would be an unfavorable time to attempt to do business. Moreover, I think we should wait to hear the results obtained by the civic delegation which left for the East recently. However, I sent a telegram to Dr. Talmie last night strongly urging that if possible the Government should place some orders for wooden ships and proceed with other public works. Whether I would go to Ottawa or not I did not answer finally, but left the matter open on account of the reasons I already have mentioned."

ONLY SPECULATION AS TO WHO WILL BE NEW HEAD OF GOVERNMENT

(Continued from page 1.)

In other words, a retiring Prime Minister, usually names his own successor, whereas a new leader of an opposing party is named either by a party convention or caucus, the former course being followed in the case of the choice of Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King by the National Liberal Convention in August last.

Still Leader.

If the plan to have a Unionist gathering is proceeded with, Sir Robert Borden will still be the Prime Minister and Unionist Leader when the caucus is held, and must continue to be Leader until he has placed his resignation in the hands of the Governor-General. An authority on public affairs, discussing this situation to-day, expressed the view that the caucus or convention under the circumstances could get around this seeming complication by indicating its preference in the matter of leadership and the first choice of the caucus would be the man recommended by Sir Robert Borden to the Governor-General as the person who should be entrusted with the task of forming a new Government.

A Caucus.

The impression is strong that the January meeting will of necessity take the form of a party caucus, for the reason that there is insufficient time in which to organize a convention. It is suggested, however, that a convention might be called for a later date to confirm the decision of the caucus. The organization of a Dominion-wide political convention on a representative basis is a task involving a great deal of consideration and labor. This was illustrated by the fact that the Liberal Parliamentary executive spent fully six months in making preparations for the gathering of last August.

A Precedent.

As stated, the Liberal Convention was the first party convention to select a new political leader in Canada. When Sir Edward Blake retired from the Liberal leadership in the middle Eighties, Sir Wilfrid Laurier was chosen as his successor at a party caucus at which a vote was taken. Those in the running against the successful candidate were the late Sir Richard Cartwright and the late Hon. David Mills. Laurier having a good majority, the choice was made unanimous.

Chosen in 1901.

The party caucus which placed Sir Robert Borden in the leadership of the Conservative Party was held in Ottawa on February 6, 1901. His choice was a foregone conclusion, there being no other formidable aspirants for the leadership, and the choice of the convention was unanimous. In the case both of Sir Robert Borden and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, however, the parties of which they became the heads, were in opposition and not in power, as the Unionists are to-day, the situation involving the bringing into existence of a new Ministry.

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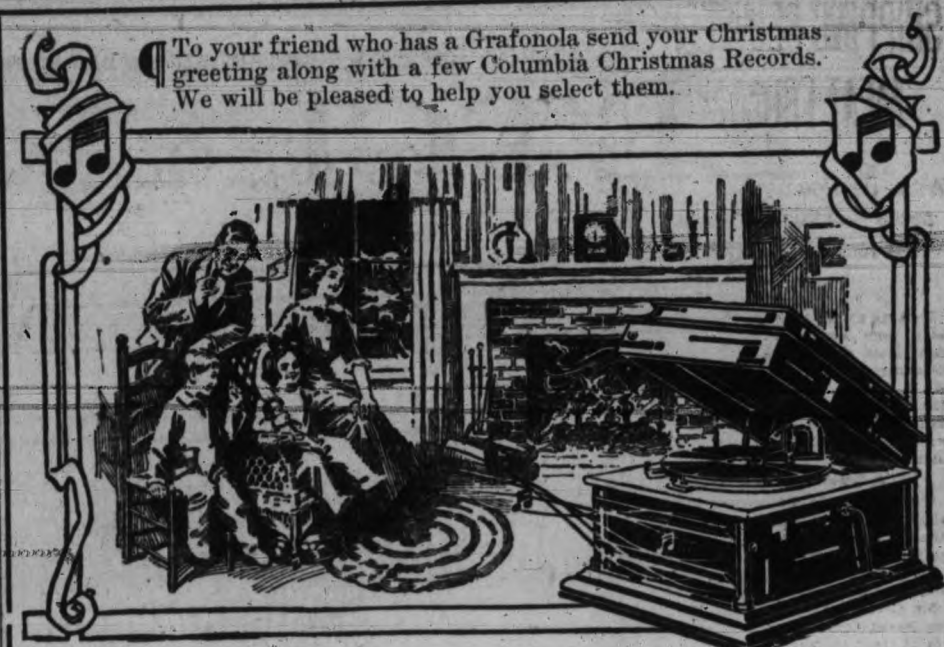
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manner in which the new Unionist Leader should be chosen are indicated in the Parliamentary correspondence of The Ottawa Morning Journal. "Already it has developed," says The Journal, "that there is not a little difference of opinion as to how the new Leader should be chosen. There is a group—and it is understood to be strongly represented in the Cabinet—which believes that Sir Robert's successor should be selected by the Cabinet without reference to the Parliamentary party. It appears to hold that a party caucus will only give rise to schism, foster intrigue and weaken the cohesive forces of the Unionist organization, and that, therefore, the best and wisest course is for Sir Robert to advise the Governor-General as to his successor and have the matter settled without any further trouble. This is one view.

Fatal.
"The other—and it appears to have a majority of supporters—is that a Cabinet selection of a Leader would be fatal. The supporters of this view declare that a Leader selected by any other method or agency than that of the party caucus would have no moral authority over the Unionist rank and file; that such a procedure would be reactionary and contrary to democratic principle, and that, finally, and most important of all, it might easily result in a break in the dykes and the complete disruption of the party."

LOSS OF \$1,000,000 IN FIRE AT TOLEDO

Toledo, Ohio, Dec. 15.—Damage estimated at \$1,000,000 was caused by the burning early to-day of the main plant of the Milburn Wagon Company here, the loss including a large stock.



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BUBONIC PLAGUE IN ARGENTINA; WAR IS MADE ON RATS

Buenos Ayres, Dec. 15.—Bubonic plague is reported to have attained grave proportions at Las Rosas, Santa Fe province. Several deaths have occurred. The national Department of Hygiene has begun a war on rats.

THUGS ATTACKED U. S. OFFICERS IN STREET OF BREST

Brest, Dec. 15.—Roughs attacked three American officers last night as they were leaving a concert here, and Lieut. John Campbell Clowe was seriously wounded. Lieut. Charles Nevin received a bullet in the leg.

G.T.R. SHAREHOLDERS WILL MEET SHORTLY

London, Dec. 15.—The Times estimates that a meeting of the Grand Trunk Railway stockholders will be held about the middle of January to ratify the agreement with the Canadian Government.

The Times says nobody will pretend that the Government has been generous, but, the terms are better than at one time seemed probable. On the whole the arrangement must be regarded as satisfactory, for it

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Let the candy you send express your very good taste. Wiper's candy will do this and more. It will particularly please those who appreciate highest quality coupled with unique assortment. Full line of Chocolate Boxes, Christmas Stockings, Bon Bons, Sugar Fancies and other novelties now on show. Gold and silver medals for purity and excellence.

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, December 16, 1894.

Voting for Mayor at the coming municipal election should be lively if the numerical strength of the list is any criterion. As issued to-day it shows 3,292 voters, as against 2,542 last year, a gain of \$50.

The American revenue cutter Rush returned last night from her search for the missing ship Ivanhoe. The Rush picked up a lifebuoy off the coast of the Island but no other wreckage was found.

Sir John Thompson, the Canadian Premier, died suddenly yesterday while attending an inter-colonial conference in London, England.

ACTRESS GETS DAMAGES.

Montreal, Dec. 15.—Ada Wingard, an actress who played one of the leading parts in "Experience" at His Majesty's Theatre here, was awarded

\$2,000 damages for breach of promise of marriage by judgment of the Superior Court rendered yesterday afternoon by Mr. Justice MacLennan against T. H. Ryan.

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SHIPPING REINDEER MEAT FROM NORTH

With Development of Proposed Canadian Herds, W. E. Cremer Urges Control

Looking to the time when there will be a very large export of reindeer meat from Alaska to the cities of Washington and British Columbia, W. E. Cremer, of Nome, Alaska, told The Times last evening that reindeer meat is much choicer than the venison secured from the deer of this island.

A Great Opportunity.

"Nothing could be better for the whole future of the North," he said, "than the development of Stefansson's idea of using the wild animals, notably the musk ox and reindeer for domestication."

Mr. Cremer says the noted explorer has learnt the tremendous possibilities of these animals in the North for all classes of requirements, made by civilized man.

"The growth of the herds of reindeer has more than astonished those of us who have seen them increase and multiply in Alaska," he stated. "There are lots of natives who have amassed upwards of \$40,000 with their reindeer herds in a short time. The steamers which call at Nome in the season, are already beginning to export cold storage reindeer and, as the export increases, more cold storage accommodation will be essential, as the quantity produced is far more than the consumption of the country will stand."

"I should like to recommend to the Canadian Government the advisability of keeping the herds under public control in order that the profits may accrue to the community, and the development of the herds be managed efficiently."

Influenza Epidemic.

Mr. Cremer spoke of the terrible effects of the influenza epidemic among the natives last winter. He says the reports of whole villages being wiped out is no exaggeration. In one place he saw a grave where one hundred and forty bodies had been interred. In some places the whole adult population had perished, leaving nothing but a few half starved children, who had managed in some way to weather the pestilence and the storm until relief came in the spring. Tragic tales are told by the missionaries who took charge of the mournful task of burying the frozen victims.

Mr. Cremer speaks highly of the placer deposits of the rivers flowing into the Bering Sea, and of the richness of the country in connection with tin and platinum deposits. He spoke of an important tin and bismuth deposit at Kotzebue Sound, and produced to The Times representative a piece of cassiterite ore running fifty-five per cent. tin, which he had himself secured a hundred miles back of Nome.

Mr. Cremer, who is at the Dominion Hotel, is personally engaged in a dredging proposition on two creeks in the neighborhood of Nome.

REPLACES DR. TOLMIE

P. H. Moore Becomes B. C. Director of Holstein-Friesian Association of Canada.

P. H. Moore, superintendent of the Colony Farm, Esquimalt, has been appointed director of the Holstein-Friesian Association of Canada for British Columbia. Mr. Moore fills the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. S. F. Tolmie following the latter's appointment as Minister of Agriculture for the Dominion. A firm believer in the value of Holsteins as a milk-producing standpoint, Mr. Moore has acquired a reputation since he took over the management of the Colony Farm some years ago, coming there from Agassiz, where he was connected with the Dominion Experimental Farm. He is secretary of the B. C. Holstein Association.

SUPREME CHANCELLOR HERE.

C. S. Davis Addressed Knights of Pythias Last Evening—Remarked on Fine Hall.

At the special convention of Far West Victoria Lodge No. 1, Knights of Pythias, held last evening Supreme Chancellor, Charles S. Davis, of Denver, Col., gave a very interesting address. He was here on an official visit.

The Supreme Chancellor is making a tour of the fifty-five domains in Canada and the United States and so far has visited forty-one. He congratulated the local lodge on its enterprise in erecting such a magnificent building, which was the finest he had seen in his travels.

In his address Mr. Davis said that at the present time the total membership of the K. of P. was 725,000. He made special reference to the splendid work done by the Pythian Sisters during the war.

The Grand Chancellor, Arthur Davies, of North Vancouver, attended and delivered an address on the order in British Columbia.

The Grand Vice-Chancellor, John Evans, ex-M.P.P., spoke on the benefits and teachings to be derived from the order, his address being of an historical character.

Short addresses were given by the Grand Keeper of the Records and Seals, E. Pfendner, and Grand Master of Finance, A. G. H. Harding, at the conclusion of which the members adjourned to the banquet hall, where a pleasant time was spent.

The Supreme Chancellor left on the midnight boat, accompanied by the Grand Lodge officers, to visit the Vancouver lodges.

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Black Silk Taffeta Skirts Selling To-morrow At Each \$4.75

Skirts of fair quality and well made in good styles. Here is an opportunity you will be wise to take advantage of. The skirts are on display in the Mantle Department.

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—Silks, Main Floor

Interesting Special Offerings in the Children's Section

Appropriate Gift Lines Here

Children's White Woolen Caps—Made in combination colors: White and pink, white and blue; sizes to fit two to six years. Special at, each 75c

Children's Colored Woolen Sets—Cap and scarf. The cap is made toque style; sizes four to six years; regular \$2.50. Special for Wednesday morning at \$2.25

Jap Silk Dresses—In white; made in kimono style, with square neck, and finished with belt and pockets; sizes to fit two to six years. At, each \$4.50

—Children's, First Floor

Children's Black Cotton Tights At 50c and 80c

Black Cotton Tights—Made from a good quality cotton, heavy weight, ankle length, closed styles; all sizes. Priced according to size at, each, 50c and 80c

—Knit Underwear, First Floor

Women's Purses and Bags

Suitable for Christmas Gifts at Special Wednesday Morning Prices

Purses for Women—Fine quality patent leather; black only. At, each 75c

Stylish Velvet Bags—In black, brown, navy, taupe and grey; a fine Christmas gift line. At, each \$2.75

Women's Black Leather Bags—Good quality. Very special at, each \$2.00

Women's Black Strap Leather Purses—This also is an excellent Christmas gift line. At, each \$1.50

—Bags and Purses, Main Floor

Women's Handkerchiefs

In Presentation Boxes at a Box 50c

Fifty dozen of these neat handkerchiefs will be sold to-morrow morning. They will be boxed ready for presentation and will make especially pretty Christmas gifts. They will clear quickly at, a box, 50c

—Main Floor, Douglas

Wednesday Morning Snaps in Women's Hosiery

Women's Cashmerette Hose—Fine quality. At, a pair, 0c and 65c

Women's Cashmere Hose—Very special, a pair, 75c

Women's Silk Hose—Very special at, a pair, \$1.00

Children's Strong Cotton Hose—At, a pair 60c

—Hosiery, Main Floor

Two Wednesday Morning Bargains in the Whitewear Section

Camisoles—Made from silk and satin; in shades of white and pale pink, and finished with ribbon straps. Special at, each \$1.25

Boudoir Caps—Made from silk and satin, in many dainty designs, and trimmed with lace and ribbon. Special value at, each 75c

—Whitewear, First Floor

Wednesday Morning Snaps in the Dress Goods Section

Be here when the store opens. These bargains will not go begging for buyers.

Serge—Fifty inches wide; in colors of saxe blue, cardinal, brown, black and myrtle; regular \$3.50. Special Wednesday morning at, a yard \$2.50

Fine French Twill Serge—Thirty-eight inches wide; in shades of light brown, saxe, light grey, dark grey, purple and dark brown; regular \$2.25. Special Wednesday morning at, a yard, \$1.50

Black and White Check Dress Goods—Thirty-eight inches wide. Very special value at, a yard \$1.00

Palm Beach Dress Goods—In brown and grey checks, white and green, fawn and brown, blue and white stripe, red and white stripe. All at, a yard 75c

—Dress Goods, Main Floor, Douglas

Special Values in Women's Collars Qualities You Will Admire

Women's Collars and Sets—In crepe de Chine, wash satin and silk; will make select Christmas gifts; values from \$1.75 to \$2.25. Selling at \$1.00

Take advantage of these special values to-morrow morning.

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Enticing Values in the Women's Shoe Department

GIRLS' PARTY-SLIPPERS AT \$2.95

A patent leather, strap pump; a shapely shoe, well finished and trimmed with a neat ribbon bow; sizes 11 to 2. Special at, a pair \$2.95

From these two Wednesday specials you may select appropriate gifts. Call early to-morrow and look them over.

WOMEN'S VELVET STRAP SLIPPERS AT, A PAIR, \$1.95

A neat black velvet slipper, fitted with leather sole and heel, warmly lined and trimmed with pom-pom. You will find these very special value at, a pair \$1.95

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—Women's Shoes, First Floor

A Big Wednesday Morning Clearance Sale of Framed Pictures

All to go at Less Than Half-Price

Pictures that will make most acceptable gifts; reproductions of many fine subjects; all neatly and well framed.

Regular \$3.00 values for \$1.75 Regular \$1.98 values for \$1.25

Regular \$2.50 values for \$1.50 Regular \$1.50 values for \$1.00

Regular 98c values for 75c and 50c

Call and inspect this showing of pictures; you will be pleased with the values.

—Books, Lower Main Floor

Wednesday Morning in Toyland

English Doll Buggies—Lined inside, finished in black enamel with gold stripes, rubber tyres. Regular \$7.50. Special \$6.75

Regular \$6.50. Special \$5.95

Wood Engines—A capital toy; well made. At, each 98c

Kindergarten Sets—Oak stained, one table and two chairs. At, a set, \$2.98

"Shoo Fly" Rockers—Regular \$2.25. Special, each \$1.75

—Toyland, Lower Main Floor

Wednesday Morning Values in the Hardware

Aluminum Teapots—Electric Toasters—Electric Irons—Superior; guaranteed. At, each \$4.75

Platters—For the Christmas dinner; sixteen and eighteen inches. Values to \$4.50 at, each, \$1.49

Hand-Painted China—Cups and saucers. Regular to \$9.00 a dozen. Special at six for \$3.95

Roller Skates—Ball bearings. Regular \$3.90. Special, a pair \$3.29

—Hardware, Lower Main Floor

Attractive Values in the Men's Furnishings

A Fine Opportunity to Buy Your Gifts for Father and the Boys

Ten Dozen Only, Men's Fancy Neckties—Made with wide ends, in fancy and stripe designs; neckties that are well worth \$1.00 each, but just for Wednesday morning they will be sold at, each 65c

Four Dozen Men's Print Shirts—Designed with soft double cuffs, starch collar band, and made in coat style; shirts well made, patterned in fancy stripes in light shades of blue, gold and other colors; shirts well worth \$1.75 in the regular way. Selling as a Wednesday morning special at, each \$1.29

Let these Wednesday morning values help you out with your Christmas gift buying.

—Men's and Boys' Furnishings, Main Floor, Broad

Snaps in the Men's and Boys' Clothing Sections

Boys' Woolen Toques—A cosy cap for the cold weather. At, each 50c

Men's Pants—Of stripe cotton; heavy weight; a working man's ideal quality; all sizes. At, a pair \$2.75

Men's Rubber Lined, Mercerized Finish Rainproof Coats—Light weight and very serviceable; regular \$12.50. Selling to-morrow at, each \$6.95

—Men's Clothing, Main Floor, Broad

Blue Printed Hemstitched Napkins, Runners and Squares, Slightly Soiled

At Clearing Prices To-morrow Morning

Napkins—Regular 7c each. Special at six for 25c

Runners—Regular 50c. Special at, each 30c

Squares—Regular 75c. Special at, each 49c

Squares—Twenty-seven inches; regular 50c. Special at 35c

Squares—Thirty-six inches; regular \$1.50. Special at \$1.00

There is a world of splendid value in this clearance of napkins, runners and squares that you will do well to take advantage of. Shop early and get a first choice.

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Last evening the Epworth League of the Metropolitan Methodist Church provided a most enjoyable entertainment in the schoolroom of the church. The league enlisted the services of Madame Webb, of the Dominion Academy of Music. Many brilliant pupils of the talented teacher appeared in a varied and much appreciated programme. There was a large attendance and the entertainment was enthusiastically applauded. The programme was as follows:

Piano duet, Spanish Dance, Misses Doris Taylor and Marie North; song, "Love Could I Only Tell Thee," Miss Ellen Bridge; piano solo, "The Tease," Miss Doris Taylor; song, "Love Could I Only Tell Thee," Miss Margaret McKay; reading, Mrs. M. Morton; song, "Absent," Miss Quentin Laurence-Ross; piano solo, "Prelude," Miss Marie North; song, "Roses in Picardy," Miss Vye; song, "The Rocking Chair," Miss Roma Johnson; piano solo, "Aleguín et Columbine," Miss Minnie Stewart; song, "Angels Guard Thee," Mrs. M. Morton; valsette, Miss Evelyn Wheeler; song, "Marguerite McKay," song, "May In My Garden," Miss Quentin Laurence-Ross; song, "The Little Irish Girl," Mrs. Vye.

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IN WOMAN'S DOMAIN

Social Progress

W. A. Anstie, of Revelstoke, has arrived in the city.

Hon. Mrs. Robert Stuart and Mrs. J. A. Russell are registered at the Empress Hotel.

Mrs. Wentworth Wood has arrived from Kamloops to be with her mother, Mrs. M. S. Wainwright, who is ill at her residence on Jubilee Avenue.

Mrs. Harold S. Cove expects to leave during the next week-end for Vancouver, where she will join her husband and take up residence in the Mainland city.

Mrs. Gertrude Huntley Green will go over to Vancouver on Wednesday evening to assist in the programme of Lochmont music to be given under the auspices of the Vancouver Ladies' Musical Club.

The staff of the Empress Hotel will hold their annual Christmas tree for children of members on the afternoon of December 26, while the annual staff ball will take place in the evening.

To-night at the University School, Mt. Tolmie, the pupils will hold their annual reunion dance, when friends and parents of the boys, as well as a number of "old boys," will meet for the festivities. Dancing will be from 8 till 12.

The Attorney-General and Mrs. J. W. de B. Faris left on this afternoon's boat for Vancouver, where they will attend the dinner to be given to-night by President Klink of the B. C. University, and Mrs. Klink at the Hotel Vancouver.

Mrs. J. G. Fordham, of Beach Avenue, Vancouver, entertained at a "dinner" on Saturday afternoon in honor of her house-guests, Miss Brownie Bodwell and Miss Sybil Street, of Victoria. The guests also included Mrs. Selma Humphries, Miss Muriel Dunsmuir and Miss Ines Bodwell, who are the guests of Mrs. W. F. Brougham during their stay in the Mainland city.

At "Breadalbane," the residence of the officiating minister, yesterday afternoon, the Rev. Dr. Campbell celebrated the marriage of Sergt. F. E. Blizard, late of the British Expeditionary Forces, and Miss Emily Frances Ockenden, both of Victoria. The bridegroom was accompanied by Harold E. N. Ockenden, the bride's brother. The bride, who wore a travelling suit of dark blue serge, was attended as bridesmaid by Miss Mary Catherine Barry, in a gown of light blue crepe de chine. The flower girls were Miss Lily and Miss Muriel Ockenden, the bride's sisters. Mrs. Lydia Elizabeth Ockenden was matron of honor. Sergt. and Mrs. Blizard left by the evening boat for Portland and other American cities, and on their return will make their home in Victoria.

A perfect sheet of ice and excellent music combined to make yesterday's session of the Victoria Skating Club one of the most enjoyable of the series to date. From five until seven o'clock the skaters skimmed over the glistening surface, the more expert indulging in the delights of waiting or the intricacies of figure skating. Among those in attendance were Mrs. C. J. Prior, Mrs. B. M. Humble, the Misses McLamont, S. D. Rose, Mrs. Durand, Mrs. Martin, Miss Colton, Miss Mara, R. McLamont, G. P. Haddon and J. M. Grant, of the Royal Naval College, Dr. Eric W. Bonk, M. M. Lewis, S. Garsons Williams, Miss R. Hicks, Miss Watkins, Mrs. Ross, Col. A. A. Smith, Mrs. Alfred Watt, Lieut. Robin Watt and Master Watt, E. J. Wilson, Mrs. John Hope and her two small sons, Capt. Bromley, Miss Victoria Bromley and Master Rupert Bromley, Miss Dunsmuir, Miss Ford Verrinder, the Misses Mason, the Misses Lynch, Mrs. Galliver, Mrs. Macdonald, Miss Gladys Irving, Mrs. Carey, Commander and Mrs. Nixon and Miss Runnalls.

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2561 F. Townsend	Below	Fairly Clean
2565 Harkness	Below	Fairly Clean
2566 Pershutter	Below	Fairly Clean
2567 Victoria	Below	Fairly Clean
2568 Dairy	Above	Fairly Clean
2569 J. C. Smith	Above	Fairly Clean
2569 Chas. King	Above	Fairly Clean
2570 Dairy	Below	Fairly Clean
2571 Standard Dairy	Above	Fairly Clean
2572 North	Below	Fairly Clean
2573 Creamery	Above	Clean
2574 R. Reade	Above	Dirty
2575 Ross	Above	Dirty
2576 Dairy	Above	Clean
2577 J. W. Hlad	Above	Clean
2578 Son	Below	Fairly Clean
2579 Hackett	Above	Clean
2580 Mrs. A. Car	Above	Clean
2581 Michael	Above	Clean
2582 T. Gilmour	Above	Fairly Clean
2583 W. H. Saunders	Above	Fairly Clean
2584 J. C. Smith	Below	Fairly Clean
2585 Harkness	Below	Fairly Clean
2586 Dairy	Above	Fairly Clean
2587 White	Above	Fairly Clean
2588 James King	Above	Clean
2589 Dairy	Above	Clean
2590 Joseph Rogers	Above	Dirty
2591 P. Fox	Above	Dirty
2592 Mrs. A. McLen	Above	Dirty
2593 James Donagan	Above	Dirty
2594 Victoria	Below	Dirty
2595 J. F. Moore	Above	Dirty
2596 Dairy	Above	Fairly Clean

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MAY BE LAST EVENTS
AT SERVICE HOSPITAL

Two Christmas entertainments which have been arranged to take place during the next few days may be the last social events held at Esquimalt Hospital before the institution is closed as a C. A. M. C. hospital. The patients and staff have arranged a Christmas tree and entertainment to be held Friday, invitations having been extended to the men who are now patients at the institution to invite their families.

Next Monday the Christmas dinner will be served to the patients followed by an entertainment. "J. J. Unit Chapter I.O.D.E. which has done so much for the men at the hospital is working hard in connection with the celebration, and have received information that this may be the last time its members will be able to extend their kindness to the patients. Information has been received that the hospital will close about the middle of February, but there is a possibility that this date may be put ahead.

TO SEE INSTRUMENT

Head of Firm Which Built Big Telescope Arrives.

Head of the firm which built the telescope for the Dominion Astronomical Observatory at Saanich, W. R. Warner, of Warner & Swasey, Cleveland, Ohio, arrived in the city with Mrs. and Miss Warner yesterday afternoon. Mr. Warner's firm carried out the contract, and it is his desire at the present time to look over the observatory as completed under the direction of Dr. J. S. Plaskett, with whom his negotiations during construction were conducted. His corporation is not only famous as a firm of machine tool and optical manufacturers, but for the high character of its scientific instrument output. Both Mr. Warner and Mr. Swasey occupy a prominent place in the world of science as astronomers. Mr. Swasey has already visited Victoria.

MACCABEES' GIFT TO
VISITING OFFICIAL

Mrs. Aydelotte, Deputy Supreme Commander, Honored at Yesterday's Rally

Over one hundred members of the Women's Benefit Association of the Maccabees were in attendance at the afternoon and evening sessions of the all-day convention held in the Empress Hotel yesterday. An interesting feature of the evening session was the presentation to Mrs. Aydelotte, the visiting deputy Supreme Commander, of a handsome fitted traveling bag from the local Review, M. M. Grant, the first charter member and first commander of the Association in Canada, as well as the founder and first commander of the order in Victoria, making the presentation. On behalf of the convention, Mrs. Aydelotte also presented to Mrs. Kate Davis a bouquet of carnations tied with the colors of the order, in recognition of her efficient services as convenor of the musical programme of the convention.

Impressive Flag Service

The afternoon session opened at two o'clock with a review of the ritualistic work of the order and an impressive flag service, conducted by a joint guard of members from the Victoria Review No. 1, the Baxter Review No. 8 and the Queen Alexandra Review No. 11, under the supervision of Mrs. Jane C. Galbraith, Under "The Good of the Order" Mrs. Aydelotte then continued her school of instruction, carrying out orders from the Supreme Commander in appointing Mrs. Emma Garrett, of Victoria Review No. 1, and Mrs. Jeannette Carlow, of Queen Alexandra Review No. 11, collectors for the reviews in Victoria, this method being considered the most satisfactory arrangement for conducting the business of the association. Adjournment of the afternoon session was made at five o'clock.

Banquet and Evening Session

Following a banquet held at seven o'clock in a private dining room adjoining the ballroom, and at which Mrs. Lillian P. Hodgson was toast mistress, the evening meeting of the Victoria Review No. 1, followed by a regular ballot march and the bestowal of the degree of fraternity on eight candidates who were initiated into the association. A flower fund march and the degree of protection was conducted by Cumberland Review No. 17, and St. Cecilia Review No. 14, of Nanaimo. A social recess of an hour followed, the business of the session being resumed at 10.30 with a continuation of the talk on "The Good of the Order" by Mrs. Aydelotte, and a ritualistic closing, in which the joint Victoria Reviews, Nos. 1, 8 and 11 took part, concluding the business of the rally.

SHOWER AT GIRLS'
CLUB TO-MORROWAppeal For Gifts of Jam For
Home Started by Women's
Council

To-morrow afternoon at the Girls' Club, 1242 Fort Street, a "jam shower" will be held when donations of preserves, fruit, or indeed of any article of use to the Club will be very gratefully received. The "shower" will commence at 2.30 and throughout the afternoon tea will be served, and an informal musical programme rendered. The matron, Mrs. Cockram, will welcome the opportunity to show interested visitors over the home.

For Homeless Girls.

The Girls' Club represents the consummation of a plan long worked for by the Local Council of Women and other social service workers. It was started, not as a refuge home, but to meet the needs of the girl who through misfortune or limited earning abilities is unable to provide adequate support for herself. Fundamentally a home for the homeless girl, it is designed to protect such girls from the dangers attendant upon lack of proper training and home care. The work is entirely of a preventative character, and social service workers have voiced their gratification at the splendid results achieved through the medium of the Club. Fourteen girls have passed through the Club since its inception and all have benefited by their stay.

Donations Needed.

Unfortunately the character of the work undertaken by the Club militates against its being self-supporting, as many of the girls are unable to pay more than a nominal sum in return for their keep. This necessitates an occasional appeal to generous friends of the Club, and in this respect the organizations affiliated with the Local Council have shown their sympathetic interest by cash contributions. To-morrow's jam shower will help fill the latter need, constant replenishment in these days of high prices, and any donation will be put to the best possible use, by the capable matron who has the welfare of the girls very much at heart.

WOMAN PREACHER'S
PLEA FOR JUSTICEMakes Novel Suggestion for
Preaching Orders for
Both Sexes

Preaching orders for both men and women in the Church of England was the novel suggestion made by Miss Helen Toberville, author of "The Ministry of a Woman," in an interview with a representative of the London press recently. Miss Helen Toberville had just concluded an address to a large congregation at St. Botolph's Bishopsgate. Wearing a cassock and surplice and biretta, she is giving a series of four lunch-time sermons. She is the only Englishwoman who has preached on Sunday in an English church with the permission of the Bishop. "I have every confidence that the ministry of women in the Church of England will come," said Miss Toberville, "and there is no real reason why women should not administer the duties of a parish priest as well as a man."

Woman's Insight.
"For the present, however, all we are asking is that women should be allowed to preach in the churches, and we ask this because we feel that women's view of the Gospel has never yet been given to the world. "It is inevitable that women should see certain aspects of revealed religion more clearly than men, as men see others more clearly than women. That is our reason; not that women are the same as men, but because they are different."Churchgoers Willing.
"I have always thought that to ask a man to be a teacher, a preacher, and a local visitor, rolled into one, which is what so many clergymen are expected to be at present, is in many instances asking too much. To cope with this difficulty, why should not preaching orders for both men and women be instituted?"

"I am a perfectly orthodox Churchwoman, and for this reason I am anxious for any change which will make for its welfare. I believe that the average churchgoer is quite ready for this change. "When I preached in Lincolnshire, the vicar asked his churchwardens to go through the parish asking whether anybody objected. They searched high and low, but not a single objector could be found."

WANT VICTORIAN NURSE

FOR CITY "T.B." WORK

Miss Christina W. Thom, official tuberculosis nurse of the City Health Department, has resigned, according to information given the City Council last night. Appointment of a successor has been left to the recommendation of the Health Committee of the Council under Alderman Johns. The Local Council of Women notified the alderman that their organization had endorsed a resolution from the Victorian Order of Nurses that a Victorian Order nurse with special training for this work be appointed to succeed Miss Thom. The Anti-Tuberculosis Society sent similar notification.

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SALARY CHEQUES MAY SHOW INCREASES

Premier Expresses Hope of
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Servants to Benefit

Increases in Civil Servants' salaries as recommended by Civil Service Commission—MacInnes probably will be embodied in this month's salary cheques, Premier Oliver stated this morning.

The Cabinet has passed and is passing the Orders-in-Council necessary, and is dealing with the matter by departments. I hope that in the majority of cases the increases will be effective on the cheques to be issued near the end of this month.

Mr. MacInnes is working out the various details concerning the status

of the various civil servants as recommended by the Civil Service Act.

The Civil Service Association will meet on Thursday to hear the report of the committee of twenty-five which met the Cabinet recently, and will decide whether it will take further action on the matter.

MID-WEEK TAG DAYS

Council Urged to Authorized Collection on Other Days Besides Saturdays.

Midweek tag days may be introduced into Victoria as well as on Saturdays if the present demand for collection privileges on the streets keeps up.

Through Secretary Telfer, the Army and Navy Veterans of Canada last night again applied to the City Council for the allocation of a day. The afternoon upon investigation found that all the week-end tag days for the rest of the year had been taken and had to refuse the request. The tag day was proposed for the relief fund of the veterans.

"A midweek tag day would be acceptable," Mr. Telfer added when he discovered the situation.

The Aldermen decided that it would be just as well not to introduce mid-week tagging this year.

EARLY CLOSING TO BE EFFECTIVE NEXT WEEK

Council Amends Shop By-Laws to Bring Them Into
Operation Earlier

Although twelve hardware firms in the city protested against the Council finally passing the by-law to close hardware shops at 6 o'clock Saturdays, the Council last night passed the Early Closing By-Law amendment to bring it into effect next Monday.

"Five or six of our members who signed the petition did so in error and are desirous of withdrawing their names from such a petition asking for the early closing," they stated. "Early closing is not in the interests of our class of shops. The enactment of this by-law would be detrimental to our business, and an unwarranted and unnecessary hardship at the present time."

Aldermen pointed out that when they passed the by-law a couple of weeks ago they did so on the petition of eighty-two per cent. of the hardware dealers. City Solicitor Pringle pointed out that when a by-law is once passed it cannot be revoked unless fifty per cent. of those in the trade petition for it.

Amendments were also passed to the meat and fish and sporting goods and bicycles early closing by-laws, bringing the regulations into force next Monday.

As originally passed the by-laws did not come into effect until January 1. "Prima asking for the repeal of the hardware closing by-laws were: George Powell & Sons, Victoria Hardware Co., B.C. Hardware Co., Square Deal Hardware Co., Fernwood Hardware Co., People's Cash Hardware, Watson & McGregor, G. Halliday & Sons, Abbott Bros., J. P. Dill, Ashtons, Ltd., and Knappett Bros.

Dr. Tolmie Expects Prompt Action on Ships by Ottawa

In reply to telegram on the ship-building question which he dispatched last night Premier Oliver received the following wire from Hon. S. F. Tolmie, Minister of Agriculture, at a late hour this afternoon:

"I have your wire. Government keenly alive to unemployment situation. Is dealing with matter now. Expect prompt action."

ADVERSE EXCHANGE MAY YET PROVE TO BE GREAT BLESSING

Lieut. J. B. Clearihue Gave
Address on International Ex-
change to Kiwanians

"The adverse exchange rate will prove a blessing in disguise. It may encourage our home production as it will be cheaper to buy in our own market than across the line. And more than that, it may help to cement the commercial bonds of the Empire. England is our best customer. We are all part of the same Empire. Then let us turn towards the Empire for our imported needs rather than to the United States."

With these words Lieut. J. B. Clearihue, M.C., B.A., concluded a very interesting address on International Exchange at the initial luncheon of the Victoria Kiwanis Club at the Dominion Hotel to-day. He gave a clear outline of the causes which have led to the fall in the exchange rates on the New York market.

Obvious Remedy.

"The obvious remedy for the nations who are suffering on the exchange is to ship gold into the United States," declared Mr. Clearihue. "But we must remember that every nation has financed the war on credit and their credit rests upon the gold behind it. If England allowed her gold to be shipped to pay the adverse balance she would soon have shipped all the gold from her vaults and then be worse off than ever. Thus England holds her gold."

"Though there exists to-day a premium on our money in the United States, Canada is perfectly solvent. From May, 1915, until October, 1915, we imported goods to the value of \$543,670,857 and we exported \$715,977,487, which shows the balance in our favor. For the three years ending March, 1915, we imported from the United States goods to the value of \$2,225,000,000 and we exported to the United States goods valued at \$1,182,000,000, leaving an unfavorable balance of \$1,043,000,000. We exported to the United Kingdom \$2,016,000,000, and our imports were only \$15,000,000, leaving a balance in our favor of \$1,991,000,000. Thus it is readily seen that we are buying heavily from the United States and selling heavily to England."

Mr. Clearihue enumerated the reasons for the adverse rate of exchange. In the first place it was due to the enormous quantity of goods Canada was importing from the United States accentuated by the fact that each year the country paid England and the United States \$200,000,000 in interest. Many American concerns, which were operating in Canada, were sending their earnings across the line. Canada had also granted enormous credits to England, and no monetary payments were being made to counter balance the cash payments this country was making for the goods purchased from England.

Canadian Exchange.

"Would it not be better if we transacted our English business through our own market in Montreal," suggested Mr. Clearihue. "In my opinion it would be no worse, though I doubt if it would help our adverse balance to any great extent. It would at least have this result that much of the money which we are now sending to England, and for which there is no corresponding return would not affect our exchange on New York, and would thus tend to raise the rate in our favor. And we would not make a contribution to American financiers every time we wanted to send money to England."

"Financially before the war we were part of the United States, but we found our nationhood on the battlefields of France. The next step is to become financially independent. The best present solution seems to me to manufacture more and more and force our products upon the United States. We cannot buy from the United States unless we sell. Intensive production is our only salvation."

Chairman Graham informed the eighty Kiwanians present that it had been impossible to obtain the Empress Hotel for the club luncheon. At the next meeting an announcement will be made as to the place where these gatherings will be held in the future. The members decided to hold the luncheon on Tuesday.

Owing to the fact that the club has only recently been formed and the officials have not had the opportunity to start a Christmas tree fund, Chairman Graham suggested that the members link with the Rotary Club. This was decided upon, and a collection produced \$50, which will be contributed to the Rotarian fund.

CITY'S FINANCES ALARMING, HE SAYS

Mayorality Candidate Denies
Rumors About Being
"Controlled"

George McGregor, who was announced yesterday as candidate for the office of Mayor of Victoria at the coming municipal elections, was kept busy to-day receiving compliments over his decision to run, and denying that he was out against the Johnson Street Bridge or advocating a scheme to pay back to property owners all improvement taxes they have paid since 1912.

He has not yet drawn up his platform. To prepare for the strain of the election he leaves to-morrow for California, where he will rest until January 1, when he will return to Victoria to launch his campaign.

"The main problem we face is that of getting people to pay their taxes," Mr. McGregor said to-day.

"I don't want to alarm people by any statement until investigations are completed. But there is just this: 'We must investigate at the City Hall and ascertain just what sinking funds have not been met up to date. The condition is so serious that something had to be done. We must discover the exact position where the city stands and expose it without any camouflage.'

"If our civic administration cannot make a success of things as they are, the direction of the city's affairs will have to be taken over by a commission. But we want to appoint that commission ourselves and not have the Government do it."

Mr. McGregor said he had no sympathy with persons aiming to get the city to pay them improvement taxes which they paid on property in years gone by.

"You would never hear me talk that way," he continued. "Such people would be told by me if I were elected that they will have to pay their taxes."

He also vigorously denied rumors that are being circulated about him to-day to the effect that he is being put in the field by big real estate interests under a political boss.

"I am coming out on my own platform," he said. "There is no political boss over me as reported. I will have an absolutely free hand."

INDUSTRIAL LOANS TO FOUR CONCERNS

Two Victoria and Two Vancouver Organizations Benefit by Industrial Act

Four loans under the Industrial Act, ranging from \$500 to \$3,000, were authorized by the Provincial Cabinet this morning on the recommendation of Industrial Commissioner Major Martyn and the Advisory Council.

Two of the firms to which loans will be extended are doing business in Victoria. The first of these is that conducted by Frank Vinal, Herbert Vinal and Francis Vinal, who are experienced polishers and woodworkers and who at present are making furniture by hand in a plant on Skinner Street. All are ex-service men. A loan of \$1,000 will be made to them for the purchase of a bandsaw and motor and other machinery.

The second loan of \$500 will be made to Brian Du Chatelet, of Oak Bay, who intends to use the money to purchase machinery and stock for the manufacture of mechanical toys and working models. He was formerly an officer in the Royal Engineers and prior to the war worked as an engineer for the Sir John Jackson Company on the Ogden Point breakwater.

A loan will be made to George Wesley Richester, Addison W. Richester and Samuel Downham, the two latter ex-service men who have a plant in Vancouver. They will receive \$1,500 to purchase machinery and lumber to build automobile bodies. The firm will take a class of partially disabled men from the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment for training in their line of work and intend to afford them permanent employment.

"The manufacture of ladies' waists and neckwear in Vancouver will be the business into which H. F. Finlayson will invest his loan of \$2,000. He is a returned man and has had long experience in this line of work. He will employ ten persons."

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OBITUARY RECORD

The funeral took place privately this afternoon at Ross Bay Cemetery of Parquhar Macrae, formerly Police Magistrate of the City of Victoria for a number of years, who died yesterday morning at the age of 83 years. He is survived by his widow, two sons and three daughters. The pallbearers at the funeral were Mr. Justice Gregory, Messrs. David Doig, J. M. Langley, E. E. Wootton, George Jay and B. S. Heisterman.

The funeral of ex-Mayor John Grant will take place from the B. C. Funeral Chapel on Wednesday, at 2:15 p. m. The Rev. Dr. Campbell will officiate.

The death occurred yesterday at South Salt Spring Island of Henry Sampson, aged eighty-nine years. Born in Kent, England, he had been a resident of the island for the past sixty years. He leaves to mourn his loss, six daughters, Mrs. A. Brien, Mrs. R. Lloyd and Mrs. M. Flesch, all of this city; Mrs. L. Walker, of San Francisco; Mrs. L. Pallow and Mrs. Rosman, of Salt Spring Island, also one son Chester Simpson, of Salt Spring, and twenty-six grandchildren. The funeral will take place Friday, December 19, at 2 o'clock at St. Mary's Church, South Salt Spring. Interment will be made in St. Mary's Cemetery.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Hage White will be held from the B. C. Funeral Chapel on Friday morning at 8:45 p. m., proceeding to St. Andrew's Cathedral, where service will be held. Interment will be made at Ross Bay Cemetery.

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TO PROBE REPORTS OF SLEEPING SICKNESS

Reports of two cases of alleged sleeping sickness in Victoria are being investigated this afternoon by officials of the Health Department. There is nothing definite yet on which the health officials can base a statement as to whether the attacks are really sleeping sickness. Doctors are being warned that they must report suspect cases at once or be prosecuted.

Will Meet To-night.—The annual business meeting of the Glash Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of Mystic Shrine will be held to-night in the Masonic Temple at half-past seven.

A MISUNDERSTANDING

Q. F. Pyke, Secretary of the Returned Soldier Commission, states that the passage of a resolution by the Returned Soldier Commission last week, with regard to relief to men under the Soldier Settlement Board, that the Commission had no intention to criticize the operations of that board.

"The fact that distress was prevalent among these men was evident from the number of appeals that had reached the Commission. The sole object of the Commission in sending the wire to Chairman Black was to endeavor to induce him to make the necessary arrangements with the officials administering the \$40,000,000 fund that would extend the privileges given to men out of employment to those men on the land who were in such an unfortunate position, said Mr. Pyke.

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Extent of Loans.
"We have granted loans to over twenty-four hundred soldier settlers in British Columbia. According to the reports of our Supervision Department, the great majority of these men are making good progress. We have power to buy land, to equip a man with implements and stock, and, under certain restrictions, to grant a limited loan for feed and provisions to make his initial start. Certain cases of special hardship, however, and need of relief, have recently come to attention. These cases are dealt with by our Home Branch, of which we have a Director in British Columbia."

"Up to the present date out of our 2400 soldier-only twenty-four have applied for relief. Of these only six are from Vancouver Island, the balance being settlers in the vicinity of Pritchard, whose crops failed on account of drought. Included in this total are cases of very large families, who have need of clothing and blankets, others are maternity cases. For the most part they are cases of relief rather than ordinary assistance under the scope of our Act. We direct the attention of the Aid Commission to these cases for consideration of the question of relief. That action has given rise to the present discussion. We do not recommend relief or special assistance in any case until after special investigation by one of our Field Supervisors, nor do we wish to charge against the capital indebtedness of such needy cases a further debt for this form of assistance."

"On the whole our established settlers in British Columbia are a good type, understanding the settlement proposition, and seeing their way to bridge the gap by their own energies between the commencement of their settlement and production. Indeed, in British Columbia, for the most part, settlers are men of that type—no others will ultimately succeed. It is an effective way of distinguishing between the man who will win out, and the man that may fail, whether he himself sees his way through, and to know how to provide his productive efforts on land become effective. There is a very serious limit to the amount of living expenses it will be possible to add to the capital indebtedness. Already new for land, stock and equipment. To add to that interest bearing capital debt further considerable advances made for purely non-productive purposes is, on the face of it, overloading a settler with debt."

"To go further than that and inaugurate a general plan of assistance for living expenses to all settlers as a matter of application and right, particularly where it applies to clearing proposition that must take a great deal of time to become productive, is to discard land settlement as a business proposition, and open the door to applications for land settlement for the purpose of living expenses as long as available or required."

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furnish the means of automatic success. The success of every settler depends in the last analysis on his own initiative, competence and resourcefulness. If he does not succeed on these qualities, no scheme or settlement plan will insure his success. This applies equally to individual or co-operative work. It is recognized that only a certain percentage of men are temperamentally and otherwise fitted to farm, just as only a certain percentage are temperamentally and physically fitted to be a blacksmith or an artist. No plan can be devised for tutoring-out farmers from all corners. Men who satisfy themselves and the Board that they are temperamentally fitted to farm come to the Board as their banker and adviser under certain favorable forms of assistance for the opportunity of making good. A selective process is thereby formed, based on business principles. Unless protective principles of this character are maintained, both in regard to the selection of the men and land, the feasibility of assisted land settlement is destroyed. In British Columbia, we have super-added to the ordinary agricultural problem the additional problem of land clearing, and there is greater necessity here, in many cases, than elsewhere for resourcefulness and initiative on the part of the settler.

Permission for Out Work
"No settlement plan can be devised for the immediate solution of the problems with which British Columbia is faced. There is merit in the contention that men in the initial stage should be permitted to work elsewhere to earn money, particularly during the winter season. This, of course, is considered, and permission is given in appropriate cases."

"There is also much merit in the contention which has been made that a settler engaged in clearing land should be allowed to earn money for his labor on progressive estimates, and that the cost of such clearing should go into the cost of land, purchase rather than into the cost of equipment and improvement of land. This phase of the question is under consideration at the present time. It is particularly necessary in British Columbia, since a man while engaged in his own land clearing is not either producing or working elsewhere for his support during the long non-productive period."

Principles of Selection.
"The above comprises a statement of land settlement of the returned soldier from its business aspect, safeguarded by principles of selection of suitable men and selection of suitable land. The above does not take into account in any way the settlement of partially disabled men, or men not competent to develop land or a farm as a business proposition, but nevertheless having a necessity of re-establishment on land. If a plan is to be evolved for the settlement of the partially disabled man, it must be on a basis entirely apart from the ordinary business basis of land settlement, in which greater prominence is given to the aspect of re-establishment of disabled men than to the primary consideration of land settlement, and means found to finance the policy on its own merits."

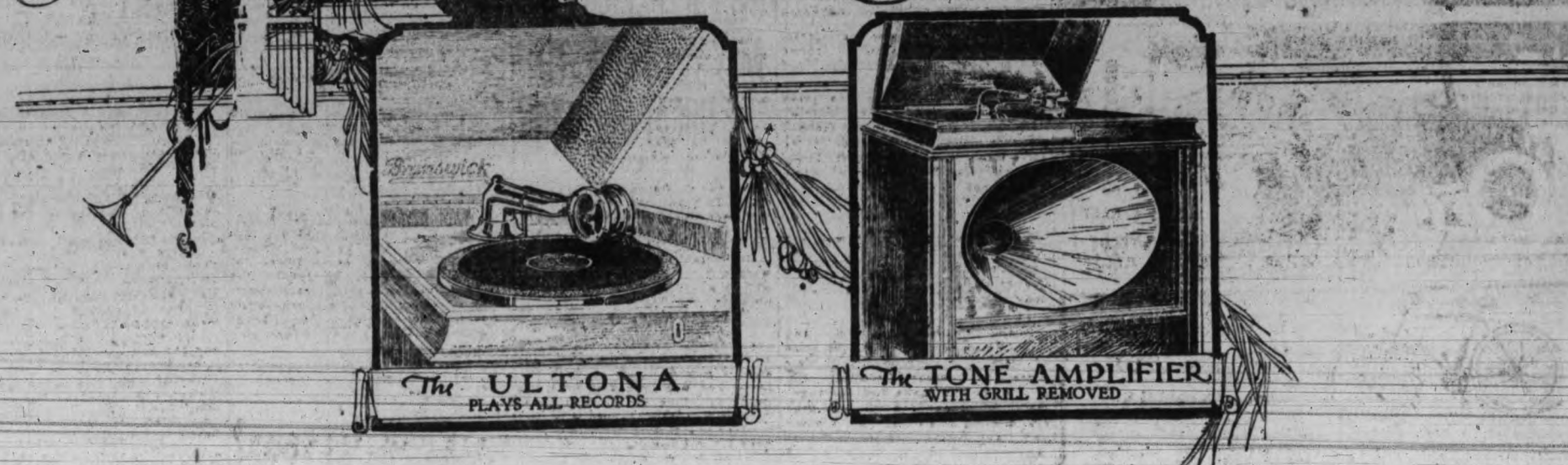
"The settlement on land of the partially disabled man is undergoing the most serious consideration, for the purpose of finding a practical solution. It is very necessary, however, that each Department above alluded to be treated on its own merits, that the business basis of the settlement of land be maintained as such, that their necessities for making a proper start be taken into account on a business basis; secondly that cases of relief, if possible, be treated as such, whether they be soldier settlers or soldiers in other occupations; thirdly that the land settlement of the disabled man be dealt with on its own merits."

Problem of Complexity.
"It must also be borne in mind that the land settlement policy is a national one, and that the problem of fitting the broad lines of policy to meet the various local conditions from Vancouver Island on the West to Prince Edward Island on the East is one of complexity, the solution to which can only be found by the settlers, the Province and the Dominion treating the subject as a common problem for the purpose of finding the practical solutions."

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BOYS' NAVAL BRIGADE: WEEKLY ORDERS

Victoria Division.

Weekly Orders, December 13, 1919.
1. File Band.—Ratings under instruction in file band are ordered to parade at the Ship's Office at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, December 19, for instruction. Lieutenant Pinlayson in charge. Dress, No. 25 with gaiters.
2. Y. M. C. A. Instructional Parade.—Tuesday, December 14, the Quarter Deck and Main Deck of both Subdivisions will parade at 4 p.m. at the Y. M. C. A. for instruction in gymnasium and swimming.
(a) On Friday, December 19, the Foretop and Forecastle of both Subdivisions will parade at 6:30 p.m. at the Y. M. C. A. for instruction in gymnasium and swimming.
(c) No boy will be allowed in the gymnasium without running shoes. Dress for all parades at Y. M. C. A., civilian clothes.
(d) Applications from ratings in the three senior tops who wish to take part in the Naval Brigade basketball at the Y. M. C. A. must be submitted to the Ship's Office, 1614A Broad Street, basement of the Penbent Building.

3. Special Chorus.—Wednesday, December 17, at 6:30 p.m., Signalmen will parade at the Ship's Office for special instruction. Dress, No. 25 with gaiters.
4. General Parade.—All ratings of both Subdivisions and full bugle band are ordered to parade at 2 p.m. on Saturday, December 20, outside the Ship's Office in Broad Street. The Divisions will march down to the Ocean Docks where they will be instructionally conducted over the bandstand ships lying there. Dress, No. 25 with gaiters.
James Day Subdivision.
Weekly Orders, December 12, 1919.
1. The following recruits are taken on the strength of this Subdivision, are rated as Able Seamen and are given the following numbers: 186, O. Crawley; 161, O. Dale.
2. Orderly Petty Officer for the week, 184, Robertson, C.P.O.
3. Orderly Bugler for the week, Able Seaman M. Day.
Equipment Subdivision.
1. The numbers of the following ratings are hereby confirmed: 284, W. Coombes; 267, W. Coombes.
2. Orderly Petty Officer for the week, Petty Officer S. Rains.
3. Orderly Bugler for the week, Able Seaman Bradley.
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PEACH TREES SAFE.

Penticton, B. C., Dec. 16.—The peach crop for 1920 is in no danger here yet. The trees could stand another ten degrees lower as the weather so far has not dropped below zero.

GETTING ON IN THE WORLD.

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Y.—Who is he?
X.—A street-car conductor.

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city. Men's home-made socks, 1.50;
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of all kinds. A few slightly damaged
dolls.

Ladies' Auxiliary to Army and
Navy Veterans.—Dance on Thurs-
day, December 18, at 9 o'clock in
Orange Hall, Courtney Street. Every-
body welcome.

Ladies' Auxiliary to Army and
Navy Veterans will meet at the home
of Mrs. J. C. Wilson, 1557 Yale
Street, on Tuesday, December 16th,
at 2 o'clock to make final arrange-
ments for bazaar, and will hold gen-
eral meeting at 8 o'clock in the Army
and Navy rooms, Pemberton Build-
ing.

Wants Local Data.—The city has
been asked to furnish the Social
Welfare Commission with statistics
for the last six years of the number
of persons receiving financial or
medical benefits during each year.

To Be Acting Mayor.—While
Mayor Porter is at Ottawa with the
Victoria shipbuilding delegation, Al-
derman W. G. Cameron is to be Act-
ing Mayor. He was chosen at last
night's meeting of the City Council.

"Songs Unbidden," by a British
Columbia poet, is now on sale by the
local booksellers. Those who have
read the advance notices of this book
will be anxious to read the book it-
self. It is handsomely bound and will
make a unique Christmas gift for
Eastern friends.

Victoria Radio Club.—There are
a large number of amateur wireless
operators in this city, and in order
to further their studies they have
formed the Victoria Radio Club. At
a meeting held last evening the elec-
tion of officers and the drafting of a
constitution was up for discussion,
but definite action was postponed
until a later meeting. The main ob-
ject of the association is to develop
the knowledge of wireless telegraphy
and telephony.

Opposition Leader to Speak.—W. J.
Bower, K. C., Conservative leader,
will speak at a gathering of Conser-
vatives at Duncan this evening.
Other prominent Conservatives who
will be on the platform will be S. L.
Howe, of Vancouver, president of the
Provincial Conservative Association,
and H. M. Grahame, first vice-pres-
ident of the provincial organization
and president of the Victoria Asso-
ciation.

Forests of B. C.—A lecture will be
held on Thursday at the Crystal
Theatre, Broad Street, on "The For-
ests of British Columbia and Their
Protection," by Captain C. S. Cowan,
D. S. O., M. C. L. D. H. The lecture
will be illustrated by numerous
slides and a motion picture film en-
titled "The Enemy of the Forests,"
which shows the start of a forest
fire, and how it spreads and the
measures taken to overcome it. The
lecture will be given under the aus-
pices of the St. James Church Troop
of Boy Scouts, with Geo. G. Bushby
in the chair. Doors will open at 7.40
and the general public is cordially
invited.

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Mr. Farris to Vancouver.—Hon. J.
W. de B. Farris, Attorney-General,
left for Vancouver on departmental
business this afternoon. He probably
will return tomorrow.

Ex-Imperial.—A meeting of the
Ex-Imperial Soldiers' Club will be
held on the sixth floor, Central
Building, Wednesday night, at
8 o'clock. Imperial, ex-imperial, forms
have arrived and will be issued.

Mr. Charles Innis, of Toronto, will
give a Bible address each evening
this week at 8 p.m. Saturday ex-
cepted, at Oaklands, Gospel Hall,
Hillside car terminals. All welcome.

To Sell Balloons For Milk Fund.—
On Saturday next the members of
the Dr. O. M. Jones Chapter, I. O. D.
E. will sell balloons in the streets,
the proceeds to be used in the pur-
chase of milk for ill-nourished
children in the public schools.

Returns Thanks.—The entertain-
ment committee, West Road Hall,
Sanich, wishes sincerely to thank
Messrs. Hudson's Bay Co., Brack-
man-Ker, Thos. Plimley, Gordons,
Ltd., Fletcher Bros., R. A. Brown &
Co., J. N. Harvey, Ltd., and Geo.
Mitchell, for kind donation of prizes
at the recent bazaar.

Tariffs at Board of Trade.—The
Board of Trade has been advised by
the Department of Trade and Com-
merce that a complete list of tariff pub-
lications from the International Custom
Bureau at Brussels will be for-
warded in the very near future. This
will be a valuable acquisition to the
library of the Board.

Fined For Gambling.—Ah Ming
appeared in the police court this
morning charged with being the keep-
er of a gaming house on Comorant
Street and was fined \$10 by Magis-
trate J. A. King and \$25, two other
Chinese who were charged with being
inmates of a gaming house, were each
fined \$10 and costs.

Engineering Institute.—The an-
nual meeting of the Victoria branch
of the Engineering Institute of Can-
ada will be held on Wednesday next,
December 17, at 8 p.m., when the
officers for the coming year will be
elected. A paper will also be read by
A. E. Foreman, B. Sc., M. E. I. C., on
the "Organization of the Public
Works Department," which should
prove interesting to all.

To Talk Over Forward Movement.—
To-night at 8 o'clock in the Christ
Church schoolroom a meeting of the
men of the Anglican Church will be
held to discuss plans for the exten-
sion of the Forward Movement work
of the church throughout the diocese.
Bishop Schofield will preside. All
laymen from the Church of England
parish are invited to attend.

Christmas Carol Concert.—The La-
die's Musical Club will present an
old-fashioned Christmas evening in
costume at the Empress Hotel ball-
room on December 18. Quartettes,
carols, readings, violin and harp so-
litudes and piano selections will com-
bine to make one of the most enjoy-
able evenings the club have as yet
offered to its members and the gen-
eral public.

No Electricity For Street Light.—
Although the West Brotherhood
informed the City Council last
night that a light on Styles Street
was an immediate necessity to pre-
vent accidents, and presented a peti-
tion from T. W. Lewis and five
others to that effect, aldermen were
forced to turn down the request as the
electric wires in that part of the city
are already overloaded.

Must Fence Deep, Wet Hole.—The
city is not responsible for damages
sustained by persons who slip off the
sidewalk at night at Mensies and
Government Streets and fall into the
deep, dark excavation hole. There-
fore, it is often partly filled with water,
which is often partly filled with water,
according to advice given the Council
last night by City Solicitor Pringle.
Because the city has recently had
before it the case of a prominent Vic-
toria woman who slipped and slid
down, owners of the property are be-
ing ordered by the city to put up a
proper fence around it, with rails
running right down the road, so that
people cannot slip under it.

BAD COLI LEFT HIM WITH BRONCHITIS

However slight a cold you have you
must not neglect it; if you do it
can have but one result. It leaves
the throat or lungs, or both, af-
fected.

Bronchitis is one of the most com-
mon affections of neglected cold,
and neglected bronchitis the most
general cause of consumption.

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup is
just the remedy you require to cure
the bronchitis. It does this by loos-
ening the phlegm and mucous, and
stimulates the weakened bronchial
organs, allays irritation and subdues
inflammation, soothes and heals the
irritated parts and thus prevents it
becoming chronic.

Mr. R. P. Sundblad, Francis, Sask.,
writes: "I had a very bad cold which
left me with bronchitis. I tried sev-
eral cough remedies and oils of all
kinds, but they all failed. At last I
got Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup
and after using two bottles I have
never had a sign of bronchitis since.
I therefore can honestly recommend
it for coughs and colds."
Don't accept a substitute for Dr.
Wood's. The genuine is put up in a
yellow wrapper; 3 pine trees the trade
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When about to roast a joint cover
it with lard saved from a piece of
ham or bacon, and cook with it on.
This will save the trouble of constant
basting and will prevent the joint
from burning or drying.

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PAY FOR GOLF LINKS BY SERIAL PLAN

The \$25,000 by-law for the proposed
municipal golf links at Cadboro Bay
is to go before the electors on the
serial payment plan, the City Council
decided last night. Alderman Pat-
rick, who brought in the motion for
the preparation of the by-law for the
election, advocated the sinking fund
plan.

"I still think that we should take
the \$20,000 out of general revenue, as
it will make only one-half mill tax
and then we are through with it,"
said Alderman Hargent, Chairman of
the Finance Committee.

Alderman Sangster, and John, sup-
ported by Alderman Sargent, then
put through the serial bond scheme.
The money will be borrowed for
fifteen years. It will be repaid at the
rate of \$1,400 principal each year,
which with the interest will bring
the total up to \$25,180. This is \$3,802
less than what the sinking fund plan
would cost.

City Solicitor Pringle is now pre-
paring the by-law for the election.

Are You Nervous? Are You Tired Out?

If Your Recuperative Power
Seems to Have Left You,
You Need
PHOSPHONOL

Out of tune with everything?
Mentally and physically depressed?
Lack the desire to perform your du-
ties? Feel that you need to be bol-
stered up?

You need a quick, nerve-building
tonic—one that checks decline—
stimulates your nerves—one that puts
you on your feet again.

To-day you should get a box of
Phosphonol.
Sold at all good drug stores.
Hall's Drug Store, corner Yates
and Douglas, special agency.

PRESENTATION TO FORESTRY OFFICIAL

W. J. Van Dusen Entertained
at Dinner Given on Eve of
Departure

W. J. Van Dusen, District Forester
at Vancouver, was entertained to
dinner in the Union Club last even-
ing by about thirty members of the
Forest Branch of the Department of
Lands as a mark of esteem on his
leaving the service to enter the lum-
ber business.

M. A. Granger, Chief Forester,
who presided, in a happy little speech
conveyed to Mr. Van Dusen the good
wishes of the Branch in his new
venture, and expressed regret in
losing one of the original Forest
Service staff. As a token of regard,
Mr. Granger, on behalf of the
Branch, presented the guest of the
evening with a suitably inscribed
Forest Branch emblem, which was a
facsimile in gold of the badge worn
by the field officers of the service.
Mr. Van Dusen suitably replied,
and appropriate speeches were made
by G. R. Naden, Deputy Minister of
Lands; W. A. Ansie, Forest Mills
of B.C.; R. Hopping, Assistant Di-
rector of Forest Entomology for the
Dominion Government; A. Parker,
E. H. Finlayson, Forest District In-
spector for Alberta; E. Z. Caverhill,
Capt. C. S. Cowan and W. B. A.
Armstrong, secretary of the B. C.
Loggers' Association.

Mr. Armstrong, while regretting
the loss of Mr. Van Dusen as a For-
est Officer, welcomed him as an ad-
dition to the ranks of the lum-
bermen of Vancouver, and assured Mr.
Caverhill, who is taking charge of
the Vancouver district, of a very
hearty welcome from all engaged in
the lumber and logging industries on
the lower mainland.

LIBERAL LEADER'S VISIT

Henry C. Hall, M.P.P., Home From
Attending National Liberal
Committee Meeting.

On reaching home to-day from
his eastern tour, Henry C. Hall,
M.P.P., confirms the statement that
the arrival of Hon. W. L. Mackenzie
King in Victoria will be in the mid-
dle of January. Mr. Hall will im-
mediately take up the matter with
Mr. Hall, President of the Victoria
Liberal Association, with a view to
arrangements being put in hand for
a reception and public meeting when
the Liberal Leader reaches Victoria.
Mr. Hall proceeded to New York
while East. He reports cold weather
throughout the Eastern States and
Provinces.

JOHNS ABATTOIR PLAN MEETS OPPOSITION

Aldermen Say City Has
Neither Money Nor Power
to Start

After aldermen had given indica-
tion of their intention to turn down
completely the plan of Alderman Al-
bion Johns for a \$2,000 abattoir in
which all city butchers' meat
should be slaughtered, they consented
to postpone finally disposing of the
plan for one week at the City Coun-
cil last evening.

"There is much meat offered the
public here which if inspected would
be condemned," said Alderman Johns.
He explained that there were no
facilities in Victoria at present for
slaughtering animals.

"We want to arrange it so that no
one can sell meat in Victoria unless
it has been stamped by a recognized
authority," he continued. "The man
who sells meat that hasn't been in-
spected and approved ought to be
prosecuted. We want to protect the
health of the people."

"If a man had a diseased cow he
would not bring it to this abattoir to
slaughter it, but would take it out in
the woods outside the city where he
could kill the animal without having
the meat inspected," said Alderman
Andros.

Nothing About Operation Cost.
"We want to know something about
the cost of the operation of this,"
said Alderman Sangster. "It is very
doubtful if the city has the power to
enforce inspection of meat. That is
the Government's affair."

"Compelling every man to bring his
cows to this abattoir would be a big
blow to the little man, as we would
force the whole business into the
hands of the big packers," said Al-
derman Dinsdale. "It means the ex-
pense of slaughtering animals will be
trebled. Not long ago we turned
heaven and earth to get a certain
slaughter-house away from the city.
I am surprised to see that Alderman
Johns now proposed to have the abat-
toir near his own house. But it shows
self-sacrifice. The public will object
to having herds of wild cattle and
hogs and sheep driven through the
city streets to this abattoir."

Acting Mayor Cameron pointed out
that the Council did not have the
power to authorize the expenditure of
this money as there was none set
aside for it.

Doctor Urges Inspection.

"Inspection which entails only the
examination of the flesh of a carcass
is insufficient; the flesh will often
not exhibit the presence of disease
which would be easily recognized in
the viscera if examined," reported Dr.
A. G. Price, medical health officer.
"It is, therefore, necessary that the
inspector should be in a position to
examine the latter, and such can only
be done at an abattoir, where the
beasts are slaughtered, and carcasses
brought with their viscera for exam-
ination."

"A city abattoir would deal only
with local meat and it should be
made compulsory that all local meat
be subject to inspection at the abat-
toir before being exposed for sale."

Had to Go to Bed Headaches So Bad

MILBURN'S LAXA-LIVER PILLS
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When your liver gets sluggish and
inactive, your whole health suffers.
Your bowels become constipated, your
head aches, your tongue is coated,
breath bad, specks float before the
eyes, you are bilious, have heartburn,
water-brash, pain under the right
shoulder, muddy and brown spotted
complexion, etc.

Help the liver to resume its proper
function by removing the bile that is
circulating in the blood and poison-
ing the system.
Mrs. E. E. Bridges, 30 Maple Ave.,
Amherst, N. S., writes: "I take
pleasure in writing you of the good I
received by using Milburn's Laxa-
Liver Pills for headaches. I was so
bad I had to go to bed, and could not
sit up. A friend told me about your
wonderful medicine, and two vials
have made me as well as I can be."
Milburn's Laxa-Liver Pills are small
and easy to take, do not gripe, weaken
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after effects. Price 25c a vial at all
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SPORTING NEWS

Hockey Rugby Billiards Boxing

War Vets and Two Jacks Provide Excitement in the Amateur Race

Green-Shirted Ex-Soldiers Win Overtime Battle—Straith's Goal Tending Enables Senators to Swamp Elks' Septette

A crowd of nearly one thousand yelling fans watched two sensational hockey battles at the Arena last night, and from the enthusiasm shown over both encounters amateur hockey is in for another banner season. The Senators came out on top of the Elks by six goals to one, but it took six and a half minutes of overtime play before the Great War greenbacks could secure the deciding counter over the Two Jacks, and make the score three-two.

Senators, six; Elks, one.
Great War Veterans, three; Two Jacks, two.

Evenly Matched.

Last night's play indicated that there will be a lot of fluctuations in the league table before the pennant is won, for there is little top-chase between the four teams in the race. The Senators and Elks fielded more experienced players, but either the T.J.s or the greenbacks look capable of sharing honors with them when they clash.

A Big Reception.

The Hon. John Hart got a big reception when he faced the puck for both games, and the players and spectators gave him three rousing cheers and another three cheers to welcome the return of the puck-having pastime.

Although the hockey may have not been quite so finished the War Veterans and Two Jacks staged the most exciting contest and the bleachers were lined with rival supporters of the two teams keyed up to the highest pitch of enthusiasm by the exciting fray.

An Even First.

There was not a pin to choose between the two teams in the first period. The G. W. V. A. had the speed. At turning up the space there is no team in the league to compare with them, and Jacklin at centre worked like a Trojan. He is a diminutive player of the Skinner-Poulton type and, aggressive every minute, when Jacklin finds his shooting eye he should get well to the head of the individual scoring column. It took about seven minutes for one of the Two Jacks stars of last season, Ross Miller, to find the puck for the first time, and he got through with a shot which gave Simmonds no chance. With less than a minute to play McDonald, who prefaces his name with the inappropriate letters H. I. P., evened the score.

Watson Busy.

Percy Watson was frequently called upon to show his goalkeeping abilities in the second period, each of the veteran's forwards testing him in turn. Roy Copas and Bill Riley put up a defence that made Simmonds feel comfortable and Dudley as rover worked well. Hunter put his side ahead in the second period, the veteran's goal tender having little chance to stop the puck, which was deflected by Riley's shoulder.

Russell Oatman at centre, Sid Elmer and Gatin worked hard to increase the lead, but the veteran's opposition, and good combination held them down. It was not until three minutes before the last period closed that Gravelin evened up the race.

Strenuous Overtime.

In spite of the hot pace the teams battled just as strenuously in the overtime spell and a great cheer went up from the greenbacks' supporters when Riley hooked in a hard one which got past the Two Jack's veteran custodian.

The lineup was:

G.W.V.A. Two Jacks Dope, Simmonds, Goal, Watson, Hunter, Copas, Point, C. Point, Allan, Dudley, Rover, Oatman, Jacklin, Centre, Elmer, Gannon, L. Wing, Gatin, McDonald, R. Wing, Miller, G.W.V.A. Gravelin, C. Dudley, Houghton, Two Jacks Dope, Markel, D. Smith.

Goal summary—First period: 1, Two Jacks Dope, Miller, 7:56; 2, G. W. V. A., McDonald, 4:15; second period: 3, Two Jacks Dope, Hunter, 6:46; third period: 4, G. W. V. A., Gravelin, 11; overtime, G. W. V. A., Riley, 6:37.

Penalty—Sid Elmer, 3 minutes.

Referee—Bobbie Genge.

Timekeeper—W. H. Wilkerson.

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Willie Ritchie has stepped back into the boxing game as a manager and expects to pilot Ole Anderson to the heavyweight laurels.

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Boyd Times must have followed the suggestion offered. Anyway the rain came, and rugby will be possible next Saturday.

One hundred and fifty supporters at least will be over with the 'varsity players Saturday, and they promise to make their presence felt.

With exams finished and the Christmas vacations starting they will feel in the humor for the big time Island Club promises them.

The grand finale, the cabaret at Burieth promises to be the greatest thing in its line ever attempted by a Victoria athletic organization for the reception of visitors.

"Kid" Denio, a Filipino of Manila, soon will invade the United States bent on capturing the world's lightweight boxing championship.

The American bicycle riders are going to Australia for competition.

Canadian oarsmen will purchase their shells for the Olympic regatta in England. This will cut out the expense of shipping them to Antwerp.

Two leading players in the professional golf world may cross the continent in the persons of Abe Mitchell, the latest European sensation, and George Duncan, Harry Vardon, James Hraid and J. H. Taylor, all top-notchers, may also be visitors.

Winnipeg, Dec. 15.—Playing the fastest and most sensational hockey ever in recent years, the Falcons upset the dope when they defeated the Selkirk speed artists 7-2 in a curtain-raiser of the Manitoba Amateur Hockey Association here to-night. The Falcons not only outplayed the dish team crew, but showed more teamwork.

MIDDLEWEIGHT MAT CROWN WILL BE STAKED

Spokane, Dec. 15.—Challenges for a match with the winner of the wrestling match here next Wednesday between Ted Thye, claimant of the world's middleweight championship, and Mike Yokel, have been received here from Walter Miller, former middleweight champion, and "Young" Golch, contender for the championship. It was announced to-day.

STECHER BEAT OLIN

Springfield, Mass., Dec. 15.—Joe Stecher, of Dodge, Neb., defeated John Olin, of New York, at wrestling to-night, in two hours two minutes and thirty seconds, with an arm scissors hold, the only fall of the match. Olin was unable to continue because of a wrenched muscle in his left shoulder.

WILDE MEETS TREMAINE

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 15.—Negotiations for ten-round bout between Jimmy Wilde, flyweight champion of England, and Carl Tremaine, of Cleveland, at Canton, Ohio, New Year's Day, were concluded between Matt Hinkle, Cleveland promoter, and D. Hughes, representing Wilde, late to-night. Tremaine is to weigh 116 pounds ringside.

Fitz Opens Scoring.

To Fitzsimmons went the honor of scoring the first goal of the 1915-16 season, a goal which gave the Senators the lead two minutes after the Minister of Finance had faced the puck. Hughie Burnett got two during the game and one assist. Harry Smith again proved an adept at finding the hemp and was there with all the speed and dash that made him among the greatest players in the Dudley Cup competition last season.

The following was the line-up:

Senators Position: Elks: Gravelin, Goal, Gravelin, Cook, Christie, Defence, Irwin, Quinn, Rover, Spence, Fitzsimmons, Centre, King, Burnett, R. Wing, Glasen, H. Smith, L. Wing, Stewart, Smith, G. Patrick, Elks, George, McDonald.

Summary—First period: 1, Senators, Fitzsimmons from Smith, 2:00; 2, Senators, H. Smith, 10:44; 3, Senators, Burnett, 1:22; second period: 4, Senators, Burnett, 8:15; 5, Senators, Quinn from Burnett, 4:32; third period: 6, Senators, Patrick, 1:18; 7, Elks, McDonald, 8:12.

No penalties.

Bob Genge handled the whistle in a manner that gave complete satisfaction to both the players and fans.

AT THE VIMY ALLEY.

The bowling game played last night between the Victoria Wests and the Musical Five at the Vimy Alley was won by the former by 327 pins. Trewin was high scorer with 206 pins and also high average with 185. The full scores were as follows:

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Musical Five. 1 2 3 Tl. Ave. Wilcox 108 171 171—450 150 Durand 110 157 172—439 146 Nehring 135 152 145—432 143 Cummings 130 167 135—432 143 W. Vinal 110 128 140—378 126 463 746 765 3165

GREEN WON.

Philadelphia, Dec. 15.—Harry Greb, of Pittsburgh, won the newspaper decision here to-night in his ten-round bout with Billy Cramer, Philadelphia. Both men are middleweights.

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DOMINION

Among the realistic scenes in "The Woman Thou Gavest Me," a Paramount-Artcraft Special adapted from Hall Caine's novel, which will be shown at the Dominion Theatre this week, are a blizzard in the Antarctic regions, and a London fog. Both of these scenic effects are said to be startling in their effect.

Hugh Ford, who directed the picture, was the first director to produce on the stage a realistic London fog. This was done first in the London production of "A Dawn of a Tomorrow," and it created a tremendous sensation. He later produced the same play in New York, where much comment was caused by the novelty of his effects.

Mr. Ford was also the first person to produce a realistic snow storm on the stage. This was in a play called "Told in The Hills," which ran at the Lyceum, New York. Hitherto stage snow-storms had been crude things.

AMUSEMENTS TO-DAY

Royal Victoria—Chauncey Olcott in "Macushla."

Pantages—Vaudeville.

Variety—Martin Johnson in "Cannibals of the South Seas."

Dominion—"The Woman Thou Gavest Me."

Columbia—"The Unpardonable Sin."

Romano—Harry Carey in "The Ace in the Saddle."

laughable rather than convincing. In "The Woman Thou Gavest Me," both effects have been startling presented Katherine MacDonald has the leading woman's role and Milton Sills, Jack Holt and Theodore Roberts are well cast.

COLUMBIA

Much of the comedy in "The Unpardonable Sin" for there is comedy aplenty in addition to pathos in this extraordinary Harry Garson production is provided by two able little screen actors, who will be particularly welcomed everywhere by members of the Boy Scouts. One of the youngsters plays the part of a member of the Boy Scouts and the other announces to his chance acquaintance that he is an American Boy Scout, hailing from a little town in Kansas. The two

youngsters match their wits against those of adults in the cause of humanity, and get results, which in some instances, are as amusing as they are gratifying. Bobby Connolly, well known to picture patrons the country over, because of past performances, plays the part of the Belgian youngster and Wesley Barry, a comparative newcomer in big photoplay productions, does remarkable work as the ragged little American who ran into so many difficulties when a terrific tragedy left him friendless and alone in Europe.

"The Unpardonable Sin" will be the attraction at the Columbia all this week.

ROMANO

Harry Carey, the whirlwind star in "The Ace of the Saddle," his latest Universal picture which is showing at the Romano to-day and to-morrow, was born in New York about the time that every juvenile Democrat cast longing eyes toward Tammany Hall. If he had not become an actor many of his old-time friends like to think that Carey would have become a Tammany politician, and they steadfastly declare that he would have been one of the shining lights in the world of politics.

But he turned to the stage and later to pictures and thereby gained fame and fortune. Success came through arduous labor and hard knocks. His popularity has not come solely because Carey is a dare-devil in the saddle or pick on the trigger, but because he is human. His whimsical and unaffected ways appeal particularly to children, and they do not seem to realize that he is acting. Each day Carey receives scores of letters from small boys and girls. They tell him that they like him, and Carey is never too busy to look over and answer their letters. He answers as many as he possibly can.

CIRCUS ACTS IN VAUDEVILLE FARE

All the Attractions of the "Big Top" Showing This Week at Pantages

Embedding all the features of a modern circus the Pantages vaudeville-bill offering at the Government Street playhouse this week is of an exceptionally varied and entertaining character.

The big circus show is opened with a "Free Exhibition" by Harry and Nancy Cavana, in which Cavana impersonates the circus applier announcing to the public the wonders contained within the magic radius of the "big top." His team-mate is a charming dancer who skilfully plays a portable harp. Harry Cavana demonstrates some of the "side shows" and is given a big hand for his clever work on the slack wire. His outstanding feat is the negotiation of the wire in a barrel. He also keeps up a running fire of witty comment. The big act is put on by the International Nine, designated as the world's greatest acrobats and tumblers. This act comprises eight whirlwind tumbler who are responsible for an amazing exhibition of pyramid work and tumbling. These clever tumbler wind up their act by a whirlwind demonstration of skill in which the bodies of the performers are twisted into grotesque shapes. Other circus stunts are presented by the Novelle Brothers, tumbling violin clowns, and the "Three Clowns" create a riot of mirth with amusing antics. The show is opened with a delightful exhibition of dainty dancing by

Genevieve Mier and the Gibson Sisters. This is an act of distinctive charm. Genevieve dances prettily to the dreamy strains of "Beautiful Ohio," and she scored in her Irish dance in which she is assisted by the petite Gibson Sisters.

Some really excellent singing and dancing is provided in the comedy skit "Check Your Hat," presented by John T. Ray and Company. Playing a return engagement, Joe Roberts, the phenomenal banjoist, was accorded a rousing reception by first nighters. Roberts is a wizard on the banjo and he introduces some new features.

Local audiences are greatly interested this week in the presentation of the Victoria-made film, "Love's Young Dream," in which local movie "stars" are featured. The fourteenth episode of "The Carter Case" again leaves the fate of the hero and heroine tantalizingly indefinite.

CHAUNCEY OLCOTT SCORES IN MACUSHLA

Delightful Irish Comedy, With Haunting Lyrics, at Royal Victoria

Whether it be that Victorians are becoming blasé with a surfeit of entertainment or that they failed to realize the charm of an Irish comedy having its leading man that well-known tenor, Chauncey Olcott, the fact remains that the "house" which witnessed the first night of "Macushla" at the Royal Victoria Theatre last night was inexcusably meagre. Any lack in numbers was however amply repaid in enthusiasm, a fact which elicited from Mr. Olcott, in the course of a brief speech following several recalls, the remark: "I am sorry there are so few here to-night. However, I always preferred quality to quantity."

"Macushla" is a delightful comedy, bubbling over with Irish wit and with that pathos which is so closely allied to Irish humor. The tears and the smiles follow each other throughout the play as the story unfolds, revealing the age-old story of the proud Irishman, scion of a noble family, trying to retrieve the fallen family fortunes with the aid of the mare "Macushla," who, in spite of the machinations of an unscrupulous Englishman, succeeds in winning the Duncan race. The inevitable marriage is interlarded with the story and imparts a sweetness to the pastoral comedy.

As Sir Brian Fitzgerald, the penniless, but gallant Irishman, Chauncey Olcott played with ease and admirable restraint. His singing, however, was the most popular feature and his rendering of a number of Irish lyrics proved that his fine tenor voice has lost none of its former appeal. Particularly pleasing were his new numbers, "This is How the Shamrock Grows," "Macushla's Anthem," "I'll Miss You Old Ireland, God Bless You, Goodbye," and "Tis An Irish Girl I Love." There is little doubt that these haunting melodies will attain the same measure of popularity vouchsafed to "Mother Machree," the popular ballad sung, by special request, by Mr. Olcott at the close of his little speech following the third act.

Mr. Olcott received splendid support from a well-balanced cast of prominent players. Madge West carried the role of Patricia Boyer with the winsome breeziness of an Irish girl, a follower of the hounds and born housewife. Joie Clifton gave an admirable performance as the old Irishwoman, staunchly loyal to "the Master." Sir Brian, her tongue armed with shafts of true Irish wit, John Hamilton, as Dinny, the sorely tempted hostler; Joe Kennedy as Sandy McNab, the canny Scotsman who aspires to the hand of Widow Boyer; Les Stark as Warren Fairchild, the unscrupulous Englishman; John Todd as Thomas Wiggins, his trainer and head of his stables; J. Arthur O'Brien as Dawkins the jockey; Nellie Strong as the supercilious English gentleman, Gwendolyn Fairchild, and Grace Canfield as Lady Dorothy Hammond, were all excellent in their respective parts, each contributing in no small measure to the success of the comedy.

The pleasure of the performance was enhanced by the delightful programme of incidental music played by the orchestra, in which the ever-popular Irish airs were the chief feature, winning rapturous applause from the appreciative audience. All together "Macushla" is worthy of the support of every Victoria who has an appreciation of clean, wholesome comedy and attractive music. The final performance of the comedy will be given this evening.

PRINCESS

On Thursday evening Mr. R. N. Hincks will again present "The Three Musketeers," the great success which had to be unavoidably postponed owing to the inclement weather. It is intended to play four performances which includes by special request a matinee on Saturday. The cast which enjoyed such a huge success will again appear and a most enjoyable entertainment is assured all intending patrons. "The Three Musketeers" truly representing the last word in local theatrical achievement and must be seen to be fully appreciated, will be given Thursday, Friday and Saturday with a Saturday matinee.

WELTERWEIGHTS HOOTED

Montreal, Dec. 15.—The meeting between Battling, Johnson, of New York, and Jack Thomas, local writer, eight, here to-night, developed into a burlesque bout, Johnson never showing any inclination to fight, standing in the ring in a crouched position throughout the ten rounds so that Thomas could never get in a punch. The crowd booed and hissed him throughout the fight.

FIRST PRO WORKOUT WAS HELD TO-DAY

Loughlin Brothers, Dubbie Kerr and Lester Patrick on the Ice

The arrival of Clem Loughlin, on the heels of his brother Will, makes a total of six of the band, who will chase the Pacific Coast pennant, on hand and some of the party got into action this afternoon.

Clem Loughlin arrived yesterday and like his brother looks to be in the pink of condition. Clem has been putting in a lot of hard work at his farm during the summer, and the work has had just the right kind of effect on the popular young player to enable him to take the ice in good shape.

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OLD COUNTRY RUGBY CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

London, Dec. 16.—Two more games were decided in the rugby county championship, Gloucester displaying excellent form, defeated Cornwall, 18 to 5, crossing their opponent's line six times. Cheshire lost to Durham, after leading at one period, 9 to 5, the final score being Durham 18, Cheshire 9. In the club games, Oxford University won rather easily from Edinburgh, 30 to 8. Cambridge was, however, quite outplayed by Newport, who won, 40 to 8. Black Heath, on their own grounds, were given a hard game by Leicester, but won, 1 to 0. Results:

Northern Union Rugby.
Barrow, 18; Wigan, 3.
Bramley, 8; Keighley, 3.
Dewsbury, 2; Halifax, 2.
Huddersfield, 15; Houghton, 9.
Hull, 25; Bradford, 3.
Hunslet, 3; Leigh, 3.
Oldham, 0; Widnes, 7.
Rochdale, 10; St. Helen's Recreation, 9.
Salford Leigh, 14; York, 0.
St. Helen's, 12; Swinton, 7.
Wakefield, 9; Hull Kingston, 5.
Warrington, 15; Batley, 4.

Club Rugby.
Harlequin, 8; Merchant Tailors, 5.
Guy's Hospital, 10; London Welsh, 0.
Roxley, 0; Richmond, 3.
Bath, 7; Cheltenham, 0.
Twickenham, 64; Saracens, 0.

GIBBONS FIGHTS TO-NIGHT.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 15.—Tommy Gibbons, of St. Paul, and Valley Trambitis (sometimes known as Jimmy Darcy) will clash in a ten-round bout to-night at Milwaukee, a Portland suburb. The bout was to have taken place last Wednesday, but was postponed because of storm conditions.

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SPARKS FROM THE STEEL BLADES

By Lester Patrick.

There was fully a thousand of the faithful on hand at the Arena on Monday night to witness the opening tilt in the Victoria Amateur Hockey League, and, judging by the brand of hockey displayed for an opener and the enthusiasm displayed by the fans, the biggest year in local amateur hockey circles is in the making.

In the first argument of the evening, George Strath's Senators broomed home a winner on the long end of the score over the Elks. The game was really much closer than the score would indicate, but unfortunately Vic Gravelin, who was guarding the nets for the Elks, had an off night and let a few easy ones slip by, while Alex Strath was behind the sturdy defence of the Senators, was almost invincible. Alex gave a wonderful display of goal-keeping, and it is my opinion that he could tend goal for any amateur team in Canada.

While the big crowd enjoyed the first game, the best crowd of the evening was yet to come. The contending teams were the Great War Veterans and the Two Jacks. It was a battle all the way, with the Veterans showing a wonderful burst of speed and stamina towards the finish. The Two Jacks were leading 2-1 with only a couple of minutes to go when Puke Gravelin poked the disc by Percy Watson and the old team was all tied up. In the overtime spasm the Veterans discarded their defensive tactics and bombarded the Two Jacks' goal continuously until their efforts were rewarded. Bill Riley showing the winning counter through after about seven minutes of overtime play.

The Veterans proved to be the surprise of the evening, for nearly all the members of this team have been overseas for the past few years and were too busy to play hockey. They showed the best condition of any of the four teams, however, and at the finish were skating like fencers. Their play lacks a good deal of the polish of the other teams, but this is offset to a great extent by their fighting qualities and superior condition.

The evening's show proved to be quite popular with the fans in general and the amateurs are sure to play to good audiences throughout the season.

FRENCH OFFER DEMPSEY \$200,000

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 16.—A French athletic syndicate, headed by Theodore Vienne, has offered Jack Dempsey, heavyweight pugilist, \$200,000 and 25 per cent. of moving picture revenue, estimated at \$50,000 more, for a match with George Carpentier in Paris. This information was contained in a cablegram to-day to Ben F. Stenel, Milwaukee, Vienne's representative in this country. Stenel has wired the offer to Jack Kearns, Dempsey's manager.

LADY BASKETBALLERS TO INVADE VICTORIA

The ladies of the B. C. University who will invade Victoria Variety Day, December 20, to battle with the V. I. A. team, will be as follows:
Forwards, Evelyn Eveleigh (captain), Katie Stuart; centre, Gladys Wild; guards, Myrtle Kilpatrick, Marguerite Gordon; spare, Lillian Lockie.
Miss Kilpatrick and Miss Eveleigh played for U. B. C. in the Victoria game last Christmas. This year the team, under the supervision of its able coach, Mr. A. E. Lord, has made good progress and hopes to win the game against Victoria.

NEW WATER SUPPLY SCHEME AT NELSON

Nelson, Dec. 15.—As one result of the acute water shortage, the City Council decided last night to prepare and submit a by-law at the approaching election for a new water system, to cost \$50,000 and utilize Cottonwood Creek, as at present, and also Whitewater and Clearwater Creeks.

At Bonnington Falls the ice in the forebay of the West Kootenay Power & Light Company caused partial shutdowns, which were reflected in the mines at Rossland.

The Consolidated Company's lead refinery at Trail is cutting water in barrels and tanks from a lower level in the plant.

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AMENDMENTS MADE TO FOOTBALL RULES

Toronto, Dec. 15.—At the annual meeting of the O. F. U. Saturday noon some amendments to the rules were made. The rule relative to making it clearer that a team could either scrimmage or kick the ball at quarter was passed. The question whether the ball should be taken to half way or forty yards out after a field goal, the union decided that it must be kicked from the 40-yard line.

The proposal to adopt the suggestion of the A. A. U. of C. for the registration of all athletes with the provincial branch of the A. A. U. of C. was passed.

The secretary's report showed that almost a thousand players had competed under the O. F. U. rules during the 1919 season.

All the executive officers were selected by acclamation.

LEONARD AND DUNDEE TO GO TWENTY ROUNDS

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 15.—Benny Leonard, lightweight champion, and Johnny Dundee, of New York, will box twenty rounds to a decision at the Arena, in this city, on the night of January 16. Forfeits of \$5,000 each were posted in New York to-day.

Philadelphia, Dec. 15.—Johnny Dundee, of New York, outboxed Pal Moran, of New Orleans, in a six-round bout to-night.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 15.—Pinkey Mitchell, weighing 136½ pounds, to-night outboxed Mike Paulson, Minneapolis welterweight, 145 pounds, in a ten-round no-decision bout, sporting writers agreed.

Newark, N. J., Dec. 15.—Young Bob Fitzsimmons, son of the former heavyweight boxing champion, in his first professional contest, outboxed Ed Kinley, of Newark, in an eight-round bout here to-night. Fitzsimmons weighed 170 pounds and Kinley 162. Fitzsimmons put up a clever exhibition of boxing, but appeared to lack an effective punch.

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Driver Ivan Stephens Received Military Medal For Bravery on Field.

Driver Ivan Stephens, of 297 Cloverdale Avenue, has been advised by the G. O. C. of Military District No. 11 that His Majesty the King has awarded him the Military Medal in honor of his gallant action on the field during the strenuous fighting of

the culminating weeks of the war. Driver Stephens left here with the 15th Brigade Ammunition Column, and in England transferred to the 62nd Battery and later to the 55th Battery. He served for eighteen months in France, and when the armistice was declared he was the only original driver left in his subsection. Throughout the fighting from Cambrai on he showed great coolness and resource when under fire with teams.

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FIND IT HARD TO GET RID OF SALT WATER BATH SCHEMES

Aldermen Search For Way
Out; Bath at Causeway
Now Proposed

Aldermen appeared to do their best last night to shelve the two salt water bath schemes now before the City Council.

Taking up the Higgins scheme for a bath next to the B. C. Paint Works at Laurel Point, the exhaust steam from the works to heat the swimming water and the swimmers, criticisms of the plan were voiced by city officials on legal, financial, hygienic, sanitary, engineering and scientific grounds.

Before they finished the aldermen had another bath project presented to them. It came from City Engineer Preston, who wants a salt water bath along the foot of the Causeway wall. This he pointed out would serve the double purpose of providing ready swimming accommodation for the tired business man and his friends and at the same time cover up the exposed mud there which sends up gases so strong at times that persons have been rendered ill on Government Street.

It was decided that the best thing that could be done with the Higgins scheme was to ask Frank Higgins, K.C., and his promoters to attend one of the Council meetings some time soon to talk over the matter again. One of the aldermen pointed out that there is not much time left now before it will be too late to put the necessary by-law before the people.

Discover Duplication.

Then the Brandon-Best plan for a swimming bath on Dallas Road came up again. J. S. Brandon informed that W. J. Best wanted a plot 100 feet square of the park property on Dallas Road between Beacon and Menzies Streets. He offered to pay \$1 a year for twenty years. He guaranteed that the building would be of ornamental design.

"We are not out to make money, but will be a public utility institution," he said.

He went on to point out that Mr. Justice Begbie in the early days gave the city power to lease this property for aquariums and for horse racing.

Aldermen said the application of Mr. Brandon was only a duplicate of a letter they had received from him once before. It was suggested that it would be a good idea to hand it over to City Solicitor Pringle to investigate some time later.

Says Higgins Estimates Too Low. Dealing with the paint works bath scheme, City Engineer Preston reported that the Higgins estimate of \$45,000 for the baths was rather low, and should be raised to \$50,000. He advised against taking water from the harbor. To construct a pipe line to bring water from the docks would cost \$15,000 more. He thought cost of operation would be \$15,000 instead of \$11,040 a year. The revenue, he estimated, would be quite as large as Mr. Higgins estimated.

Suggests Causeway Bath.

"With regard to the location, there is the question of doing away with the nuisance arising from the mud in front of the Causeway," added



Mr. Preston. "I think this spot in front of the wall, if a low concrete sheet pile retaining wall were built, and the space filled in behind, would make an excellent site for the baths. If power can be obtained from the Empress Hotel or some other source."

Bath Scheme Not Sanitary. Taking water from the incoming sheet pile retaining wall was opposed by Dr. A. G. Price, medical health officer.

"The waters of Victoria harbor are very considerably contaminated by sewage and other impurities," he continued. "Treating the water with chemicals to destroy these germs, Dr. Price explained, was objectionable because the chlorine compounds would have to be so strong as to alter the natural composition of sea water. It would also impart an unpleasant, irritating effect upon eyes of bathers."

"In fact, water so treated would be no longer natural sea water, but something else, and the bath would not be popular," he said. "Pure water, untreated except by straining and frequently changed, is essential both from a hygienic point of view to make baths attractive, and thus a financial effect."

Must Bar Entrance Fees.

"As the lots adjacent to the B. A. Paint Company on Belleville Street, were conveyed to the city forever, upon trust to maintain and preserve as a public esplanade, it is questionable whether the city would have authority to construct a swimming bath thereon as proposed and charge fees," reported City Solicitor Pringle.

Alderman Sangster, supported by Alderman John Harvey, urged by-law for a swimming bath should be put before the people, with the location of the bath in blank, to be filled in by the 1920 Council after the people pass it.

Alderman Johns, however, declared that people would not for any by-law to spend money without knowing where the money was to be spent.

"I know the people will not sanction the spending of the front of the Causeway by a swimming bath, anyhow," he added.

"It would take more than \$100,000 to put in proper baths behind the Empress," said Alderman Andrews.

Alderman Dinadale challenged this statement, declaring that he and other contractors figured on it before the war and found that they could not do the work for less than \$125,000. To-day it would take twice that amount of money to build a bath there.

LETTERS

Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short and legibly written. The longer an article the shorter the chance of insertion. All communications must bear the name and address of the writer, but not for publication unless the writer wishes. The publication or rejection of articles is a matter entirely in the discretion of the Editor. No responsibility is assumed by the paper for MSS. submitted to the Editor.

HOW TESTS WERE MADE.

To the Editor:—In my reply to Mr. Halsall's letter, re Esquimalt Water Main, I omitted to state that the tests for pressures were made with a 1½-inch testing nozzle attached to the 2½-inch hydrant outlet.

I would be glad if you could find space to publish this omission.

H. F. BOURNE,
Municipal Engineer.
Esquimalt, B. C., December 15, 1919.

AN INQUIRY.

To the Editor:—It has been stated that British Columbia is not only the sole Province of the Dominion to tax church-lands, but also the only territory on earth that does so.

Also that "Magna Carta"—the fount of British liberty—denies the right to anyone to levy taxes against lands devoted to the service of God. Perhaps one of your readers may tell me if the above statements be true.

A. STRAIOTES.
Mt. Tolmie P.O., B.C., Dec. 15.

A MODERN MIRACLE.

To the Editor:—Your morning contemporary of last Sunday had an interesting article on mountaineering in Canada, by C. H. Gibbons, and in it he made a statement that may open up new means of employment for the very worst cases amongst our crippled soldiers, as er-mountain guides. To quote his words regarding the projected ascent of a difficult peak: "The Marpole is to be conquered with no appliances save hands and feet—that is, without hands and feet! This offers a pleasing field of speculation as to just how the ascent was effected, but no information was vouchsafed."

Yet a doubt arises—some other French words may have been intended, and "a little knowledge is a dangerous thing."

W. E.
Victoria, B. C., December 12, 1919.
CHILDREN ON CARS.

To the Editor:—I think it is about time that someone should draw attention to the want of thought of mothers, or those in charge of small children, when traveling on the street cars of our city.

I have on several occasions noticed that the children are allowed to occupy seats in the cars when others, who have paid their fares, are forced to stand, perhaps a maimed returned soldier, or an elderly man, and even elderly ladies. Now, if these same mothers wished to take their children to any of our movies, or other places of entertainment, they know that the rule in each of these places is that no seats are provided for children unless paid for, and I have noticed that many little ones, who are really beyond the age of nursery, are taken up in arms when entering such places, and are nursed through the show. Why does not the same rule apply on our street cars?

AN OBSERVER.

THAT CASINO.

To the Editor:—Your correspondent Arthur E. Seymour probably did not take the trouble to attend the

meeting on Wednesday last or he would not be frightened at the word "Casino." I took the trouble to explain at some length the exact meaning of the word and to assure those present that there was absolutely no intention to embody in my plans those objectionable features, such as gambling, which have given to the name a meaning it did not originally possess.

As to the plan being a joke, I will say that the plan is more alive and vigorous than ever, and that I hope by next summer a Casino will be in existence which will provide a better place of recreation for his four children than the streets of the city and that it will not cost him as a taxpayer one cent, but will tend to lighten his taxes by adding something to the city's revenue, and also by increasing the numbers of those upon whose shoulders (or purses) the expenses of the city at present fall.

CHARLES ST. BARBE.
359 Cormorant St., Victoria, Dec. 15.

MOVE TO HAVE RULE OF ROAD CHANGED

Vancouver, Dec. 15.—Legislation changing the rule of the road from the left to the right hand side will be introduced at the next session of the Legislature, and will provide that the cost attendant upon the change be borne by the people of British Columbia through taxation channels, if the

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aims of a resolution unanimously adopted at a well-attended meeting in the Board of Trade rooms here yesterday are achieved.

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change should be distributed over the province as a whole, and not borne by any particular section.

A resolution calling upon the Government to introduce legislation at the next sitting of the House was adopted and a committee was appointed to wait on the Minister of Public Works to pave the way for a larger delegation to appear before the Government.

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COMING EVENTS

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PUBLIC LECTURE—The Astronomical Society will hold their annual meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 23, at 8 p. m., in the Public Market Building. The lecture will be given by Mr. W. Miller Higgs, Warden, R. C. S. W. The public is invited.

A BALL will be held on New Year's Eve at the Empress Hotel. Tickets can be obtained at the Hotel Office. Price \$5. Number limited to 250.

THE VICTORIA AND DISTRICT RABBIT BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION—Will hold annual show on Dec. 23 and 24th, in the Public Market Building. The program of the evening will be as follows: 8 p. m., The Association's annual meeting; 8:15 p. m., The Association's annual dinner; 9 p. m., The Association's annual entertainment; 10 p. m., The Association's annual dance; 11 p. m., The Association's annual closing.

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A SALE OF WORK to be held at Carter's Hall on Friday at 2 o'clock. The proceeds for charity.

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Births, Marriages, Deaths**DEATHS**

ASHTON—On December 15 at his home, 1711, 17th St., North, aged 64 years, born at North, England, and a resident of this city for the past eight years. Deceased was the late husband of Mrs. Adelaide Ashton, and is survived by, besides his wife, two sons, Bruce and Robert, Ashton, of this city, and one daughter, Mrs. (Dr.) Elsie, of West Hartlepool, England.

The funeral will take place on Wednesday, the 17th inst., at 9 o'clock, from the Santa Funeral Chapel. Interment will be made at Rose Bay Cemetery.

IN MEMORIAM
CHAPMAN—In loving memory of my dear husband, Private James Chapman, who died, 19th Dec. 1918. Ever remembered by his loving wife and daughter.

COLD DRIVES VERMIN INTO BUILDINGS

Persons leaving dead animals on vacant lots and on the public streets have been causing much trouble to the health department, according to the report of Sanitary Inspector Lancaster to the City Council last night. Many dead animals have been found lying on the beaches of the city. The department has had to remove and destroy these bodies as the owners in many cases will not touch them.

The habits of persons who persist in depositing rubbish in unauthorized places and those who will not keep their yards and basements sanitary, has also given the city much trouble. Because of cold weather rats and beetles and other vermin have taken to buildings infesting the places and making them uninhabitable. The sanitary department has been called on in many cases to assist in clearing out these pests.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Will Get Flag—A delegation from the Vancouver Victory Loan Executive will lunch with the Rotary Club on Thursday and request E. J. Down, who directed the publicity for the loan drive here, to be the custodian of the flag which Victoria won by her incitement in Victory Bonds.

Soldiers to Get Houses—On the recommendation of Alderman Sangster's housing committee, the City Council last night endorsed the following returned soldiers for aid under the city's housing scheme: Mr. MacGillivray, 1248 Fort Street; Harry A. Nuttall, 510 Oswego Street; Frank Graham, 120 Courtney Street; Albert L. C. Emesley, 31 Savoy Mansions.

Official Met With Accident—Geo. F. Pyke, secretary of the E. C. R. turned Soldier Aid Commission, is confined to his home, 63 Linden Avenue, nursing an injured foot. Mr. Pyke met with an accident last Thursday, resulting in the tearing of several of the ligaments of his right foot, which will necessitate his absence from his office for some days.

City Seized Bad Salmon—Three humped and fifty pounds of salmon found unfit for human consumption has been seized in stores of the city by Sanitary Inspector Lancaster and destroyed. Salmon that is being offered for sale just now is giving the health authorities much trouble. The inspector has informed Dr. A. G. Price, Medical Health Officer.

Accidental Death—A coroner's jury this morning returned a verdict of accidental death at the inquest into the circumstances surrounding the death of Yuen Yin, who was found dead in his house at 858 North Park Street, yesterday morning. The Chinaman had locked his windows and door and lighted some charcoal in a bucket. He was suffocated.

Rabbit Plague—A strange disease, which is baffling to the best of experts, has broken out among the rabbits of Victoria, according to Sanitary Inspector Lancaster, who has been conducting investigations into the disease. Dr. A. G. Price, medical health officer, has also been at work on the outbreak and has found that it is communicable and dangerous to human beings. Because of the danger to human beings from this fatal outbreak amongst the rabbits, the health officials are concentrating on a close inspection of all rabbits offered for sale in Victoria.

Would Supervise By-laws—So that the city will be saved costly mistakes, Municipal Inspector Baird last night urged the City Council to rush to his department all by-laws that the city intends to pass on the City Council. The department passes on the status of the by-laws. "By-laws are found from time to time to be irregular," Mr. Baird stated. "There is always a danger of these unlawful measures being passed after an expensive election and found to be null and void," he added. The aldermen instructed city officials to take the advice of Mr. Baird.

AGAINST RADICALS

Washington, Dec. 16.—A bill defining radicalism and designed primarily, Chairman Johnson said, to force the Department of Labor to arrest and deport all alien members of the I. W. W. and kindred organizations, was reported to the House to-day by the Immigration Committee.

Your friend will appreciate a pair of these cozy slippers at Christmas time.



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CHARGES AGAINST MOUNTED POLICE

Bribery and Force Alleged by Counsel at Winnipeg Trial

Motion to Force Crown to Call Harry Dasheduk as Witness

London, Dec. 16.—This afternoon in the House of Commons a debate on the suppression of the Freeman's Journal in Dublin, the plant of which was raided and seized by the authorities on Sunday night, was secured by a motion of P. P. O'Connor. He declared such action as was taken in this case was a dangerous invasion of the liberty of writing and speaking in Ireland. The discussion period was set to begin at 8.15 o'clock.

MONTREAL PROTECTS ITSELF AGAINST SMALLPOX WAVE

Montreal, Dec. 16.—On account of the smallpox epidemic in Ontario the Montreal Board of Trade has issued an order forbidding entrance into this city of people from the neighboring province who cannot produce a certificate proving that they have been successfully vaccinated during the past seven years. The order also announces that no one will be allowed to leave Montreal for Ontario points for the Christmas holidays and return here who cannot produce a similar certificate.

PROHIBITION FIGHT.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Permission to institute proceedings to have the national prohibition amendment declared unconstitutional and the New Jersey and Federal authorities enjoined from enforcing it was asked of the Supreme Court to-day by the Retail Liquor Dealers' Association of New Jersey.

VILLA HAD MAN WHO SOUGHT HIS SCALP EXECUTED

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 16.—Gaston de Prids, a young sportsman well known in New York and New Orleans, who with a companion is said to have left New York several weeks ago with the intention of killing or capturing Francisco Villa near Chihuahua, was executed by the Chihuahua State for the rebel, dead or alive, was taken before he accomplished his mission and executed by Villa without ceremony, according to newspaper dispatches from Ciudad Juarez.

COUNCIL MEETS AT CLEMENCEAU'S HOUSE

Paris, Dec. 16.—Although it was officially announced that the health of Premier Clemenceau was perfectly satisfactory and no bulletin was issued, the meeting of the Supreme Council this forenoon was held at his residence.

CAPT. C. L. WEINER ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

New York, Dec. 16.—Captain Clarence L. Weiner, member of a wealthy Philadelphia family who fought with the British army during the Boer War and with the American army in the world war, attempted suicide last night in a hotel here. He was removed to a hospital with a pistol shot wound below the heart, and his condition is said to be critical. Although reputed to have been worth \$2,000,000 at one time, and known in England and other European countries as a wealthy sportsman, Captain Weiner left letters indicating that he was in straitened circumstances. He had been one of the most prominent Americans in England, where he had a castle. He was interested in polo matches.

CUTICURA HEALED BABY'S RINGWORM

On Head, Cross and Fretful. Hair Fell Out.

"When my baby was three months old her head broke out in little red pimples and then in a week it broke out in ringworms. The ringworms were very bad and she was very fretful on her head, and her scalp would bleed. She was very cross and fretful at times, and her hair was falling out.

"I used Cuticura Soap and Ointment, and after I had used one cake of Cuticura Soap and two boxes of Cuticura Ointment she was healed." (Signed) Mrs. Lelah Sargent, Nampa, Idaho, Feb. 24, 1919.

Use Cuticura Soap, Ointment and Tablets for all skin diseases. Sold throughout the Dominion. Canadian Depot: The Canadian Dispensary, Ltd., 100 Queen St. W., Toronto. Cuticura Soap always without soap.

GLOBE PREDICTS HON. A. MEIGHEN

Says He Probably Will Succeed Borden as Prime Minister

Toronto, Dec. 16.—Discussing the forthcoming retirement of Sir Robert Borden, The Toronto Globe says: "The proposed change comes at a time of more than usual stress."

"It is not probable that the protectionist captains of industry who are the financial backbone of Unionism in Ontario and Quebec will consent to a sufficiently large measure of tariff reform to make a Calder Premiership possible.

"The probability, therefore, is that when Sir Robert Borden steps out, Mr. Meighen will step up and that more and more the coalition will become a combination in defence of adequate protection, holding to office with grim tenacity until the end of the parliamentary term in the hope that before 1922 the flood of political growth will subside and Canada will settle down once more to the 'two-party' politics of the past."

Regret Expressed.
Winnipeg, Dec. 16.—The Winnipeg Telegram this afternoon, expressing deep regret at Sir Robert Borden's ill-health, says:

"The Union Government has made its mistakes, but when all is taken into account it can not be said to have made mistakes to the extent that previous administrations have made them.

"In the midst of all this chaos is one outstanding, though at present, puzzling entity—the Union Government. None can deny that this entity is fraught with great promise to the future of this country, its error of judgment in the past notwithstanding."

No Narrowness
Toronto, Dec. 16.—"There never was a touch of narrowness or pettiness of any kind in Sir Robert Borden's politics," says The Toronto Mail and Empire, dealing with the forthcoming retirement of Sir Robert. "He is honored and beloved by men of all shades of opinion because of his fidelity to high principles, whether as a Canadian, an Imperialist or a friend of his kind. If his health requires that he give up the cares of office then we hope these cares will be turned over to a man of his choosing who will be able to carry on government as it has been carried on up to the present time."

A London Opinion.
London, Ont., Dec. 16.—Commenting on the rumored early retirement of Sir Robert Borden, The London Advertiser editorially says:

"The fate of the Unionist Party is now in the hands of the British Empire. Sir Robert Borden's retirement will mean the resignation of all his Ministers and might very easily lead to a dissolution of Parliament, and an early general election."

Stirs Waters.
Montreal, Dec. 16.—The retirement of Sir Robert Borden is more than a political matter, says The Montreal Gazette. "It stirs the troubled waters of the whole political situation. The Union Government may be said to be wholly of his own making, the action having sprung from the highest patriotic motives."

Public Opinion is unquestionably in a state of flux. A new factor has arisen in the Farmers' Party, and however transient may be its existence, it is moving over the rural districts with the power of a steam roller. The Unionist Party must give up its loins for an electoral battle in the not distant future. It is not enough to name a leader to the exalted position of Prime Minister. A policy clearly cut, definite, based on the highest patriotic motives, and vigorously presented to the people."

Sincerity.
The Montreal Star says:

"Sir Robert Borden's strength as a leader lies not in his astuteness, nor in his knowledge of the tricks of diplomacy, nor in his power to dominate, but in his sincerity, in his friendliness, in his patriotism and in the attributed to be a giant, notwithstanding that he is in the tricks of political juggling he is as a child. No man in public life has to the same extent the estimable qualities that make the people so sincerely loyal to him and condition. If he is loyally supported while absent from the political arena, he may yet be spared to the country. It is manifestly the duty of his supporters to make it possible for him to resume the duties of his position. He can do this if the professions of loyalty are sincere."

Big Difficulties.
Lethbridge Herald says:

"We are inclined to think that Sir Robert Borden's intention to retire at once is brought about by his inability to deal with the difficulties of the situation."

GERMANS SAY THEIR LOAN AMOUNTS TO 3,800,000,000 MARKS

Berlin, Dec. 16.—Seventy-nine per cent of the subscribers to the German loan, the final subscription to which amounted to 3,800,000,000 marks, contributed the minimum amount accepted. The Government announced to-day that it would contribute the balance needed to bring the total to 4,000,000,000 marks.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The Senate adopted the conference report on the Edge Bill authorizing organization of corporations to extend credit in Europe to stimulate export trade. No record vote was taken. The bill now goes to the President.

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ability to reconstruct his Government along Union lines. In our opinion, the difficulty of reconstructing the Government will be just as great for a new Prime Minister as for Sir Robert Borden."

MINNEAPOLIS THUGS KILL TWO CITIZENS

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 16.—An unidentified man was killed and E. A. Nelson, proprietor of a grocery store in an outlying district, was fatally shot when three men attempted to hold up Nelson's store here last night.

PRINCE OF WALES ATTENDS LECTURE

London, Dec. 16.—The Prince of Wales was seen in Canadian company to-day when he presided at a finely illustrated lecture given here by Colonel Beckles Wilson, who told with great effect the story of the Tyne salient, with which, as Chief Official Observer at Tyne for some time, he was entirely familiar.

Colonel Wilson made an earnest appeal for the preservation of the Tyne salient, which is the last vestige of the heroic defense of the city.

STEAMER DEVEL ASHORE.

San Francisco, Dec. 16.—Cable advice from London to the marine department of the Chamber of Commerce here, stated that the steamer Devel, which sailed from Seattle November 17, for Manila, Shanghai, and Hongkong, was ashore ten miles north of Tokyo Bay. Assistance had been sent to the vessels, it was stated, but no further details were included.

VANCOUVER ISLAND NEWS

Fire at Mill Quarters.
Fire at three o'clock Saturday morning destroyed the cook house and several buildings used as sleeping quarters by employees of the long adsmith Lumber Company's mill at East Wellington. The fire, which originated in the cook house, spread rapidly to adjoining buildings, which were completely destroyed.

Building at Courtenay.
So convinced are the officials of the Canadian Bank of Commerce of the continued growth of the district that they have decided to erect a brick building to take place of the frame structure burnt down in the summer. For this purpose they have secured the corner of Main and Union Streets, one of the best, if not the best, sites in the town. The brick building will be 44 feet by 30 and as planned will cost the bank about \$30,000, says The Comox Argus.

Tenders would have been asked for long ago and construction under way by the time the tender was put out. The delay in the delivery of the tender is due to the fact that the tender was not put out until the 15th inst. and that the tender was not put out until the 15th inst. and that the tender was not put out until the 15th inst.

Sale of Work.
The Ladies' Aid of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church held a very successful sale of work Wednesday afternoon in the basement of the church. The tables were presided over by the following: Mrs. Love, plain work; Mrs. Dickson, fancy work; Mrs. Sloan, home cooking. The tea tables were in charge of Mrs. Daniels, Mrs. Creighton, Mrs. Bowcott and Mrs. Wemyss. A number of very good things, the handiwork of Rev. Mr. Letts, were on sale, he having donated them to the Ladies' Aid. There was a very good attendance during the afternoon and early evening. The fishpond was in charge of Stewart Hall and Clarence Creighton.

Back From Holland.
Rev. Father Peat, who has been on a two months' trip to Holland, is returning to Kuper Island where he teaches at the Industrial School there.

SHOES—

the Sensible Christmas Gift

Sensible gift-giving is the rule this Christmas, and Footwear is the most practical present of all. That is one reason why this Great Shoe Sale is attracting such a throng of shoppers—that, and values of the most extraordinary nature have made this store the popular gift centre.

High-Cut Shoes For Boys

Boys' High Cut Winter School Boots—Black or brown. "Classic" name guarantees quality. All sizes 11 to 2. On sale at \$3.75

Boys' 10-inch High Cut Boots, in brown only. Strong, serviceable uppers and double sole leather soles. Sizes 1 to 5 1/2. On sale at \$5.35

WOMEN'S KID OXFORDS
A Soft Kid Dark Grey Oxford, with comfortable walking heel. A shoe that is as sensible as it is good looking. Value warranted unbeatable at \$8.35

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U. S. STILL BUILDS SHIPS FOR NAVY

Daniels' Annual Report Shows Eighteen Big Craft Being Constructed

Washington, Dec. 16.—Incomparably stronger and more efficient than ever before, the American navy emerged from the world war "second only to that of Great Britain and far in advance of any other foreign navy in ships, in men, and every element of strength," Secretary Daniels declares in his annual report.

With eighteen capital ships—twelve superdreadnoughts and six giant battle-cruisers—under construction, all representing the last word in naval construction, and several superior to any fighting vessels now in commission, the navy is "pressing forward to greater things," Mr. Daniels says.

Recommendations.
Recommendations by the Secretary for the betterment of the service include:

Extension of the course at the Naval Academy to five years so the midshipmen may spend one year afloat as enlisted men.

Immediate enlargement of the naval establishment on the Pacific coast to take care of the new Pacific fleet.

Temporary increases in pay of officers and enlisted men and increases in amounts allowed for commutation of quarters and other allowances.

Government control of wireless communication.

Expansion of the naval air service and continuation of the present policy of a separate air service for the navy.

Construction of new buildings, including a new memorial chapel at the Naval Academy.

Change of the names of the Bureaus of Navigation and Steam Engineering to Personnel and Engineering Bureau, respectively.

Building Programme.
Mr. Daniels makes no recommendations as to an annual building programme, explaining that the recommendations of the Navy General Board are under consideration and that estimates will be prepared soon for presentation to Congress.

The actual cost of the navy to the nation during the war is placed by the Secretary at \$2,982,000,000. During the next fiscal year, he says, the navy's needs will be approximately \$75,131,254, or approximately \$40,000,000 less than the sum asked for during the present fiscal year.

Commenting on the construction records during the war, the Secretary says that during the twelve months ended October 1 last, 158 vessels of all classes were completed for the navy. These included 103 destroyers and fifty-two boats. A world record for destroyer construction was made, the Secretary says, in the building of the Reid at Squantum, Mass., in forty-five working days.

All Details.
Discussing the proposed radical departure in the training of officers for the navy, Mr. Daniels declares that "no officer can command as well as the man of ability and knowledge who knows every character of service from polishing brass to the highest strategy and tactics." He adds that a year's training as an enlisted man would prove invaluable to every



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Always a popular gift. Soft black kid with leather sole and heel. On sale \$3.45

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SAY KING OBJECTS TO CLOSING SHOPS ON HIS BIRTHDAY

King George V. does not wish June 3, his birthday observed as a shopping holiday, according to the protest made to the City Council last night by the Retail Section of the Board of Trade, about the holidays selected by the aldermen and embodied in the Shops Closing By-law. The reason is

that June 3 comes so closely after May 24.
"The same objection applies to Easter Monday following so closely upon the national observance of Good Friday," the Board added.
The aldermen decided to take no action until they hear from the retail clerks.

One song sung amid a storm is of more benefit to mankind than a whole concert when the sun is shining.

AS PLEASANT TO TAKE AS SUGAR
MILLER'S WORM POWDERS
CONTAIN NO NARCOTICS
THOROUGH IN THEIR WORK
EFFICIENT AND PROMPT TO ACT.

EX-MAYOR QUESTIONS

MOVE OF ALDERMEN

Fears Interference With the Property Owners Over Cluster Lighting

Fear that the City Council might be enabled to interfere on its own account in the cluster lighting arrangements between the city and the property owners, led ex-Mayor A. E. Todd to protest against the powers the city is asking for in its private bill.

"Will you kindly inform me what is the meaning, or purpose, of the following," asked the former Mayor. "Clause 6, empowering the municipal council to make, alter and repeal by-law for the following:

"(a) For assessing land, by annual rate, with the cost of maintenance of electric lighting by cluster, light or otherwise."

"If this legislation is obtained, will it enable the City Council, without the consent of the property owners, to alter any understanding or arrangement, entered into, several years ago, between the city and property owners on cluster lighting streets, in consideration of which understanding, or arrangement, the abutting property owners paid cost of standard, cluster lights, etc?"

Most of the aldermen admitted that they did not know what it was all about, so they turned the query over to City Solicitor Pringle to answer.

NOT TO BLAME

William Scowcroft Says Changes in Assessor's Office Had Nothing to Do With Late Tax Notices.

William Scowcroft, City Assessor, in any way responsible for tax notices being sent out late this year, according to information he gave the City Council last night.

"The roll for 1919 was returned to the City Clerk in due course on June 9 and submitted to the Court of Revision and passed by that body on July 15, Mr. Scowcroft wrote.

"From that day the assessor had absolutely no control over it, his time and attention being taken up entirely with the preparation of the 1920 roll and such assistance to other departments as may, from time to time, be requisite."

"It is only fair to myself and staff to say that since I took up the position of assessor there has not been the slightest disorganization or trouble, everything in the office working with perfect smoothness and satisfaction."

OFFER HOMES FOR CEMETERY ANNEX

Extension of Ross Bay Cemetery "at the present very favorable opportunity" was urged on the City Council last night by Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Mellin, of 28 Dallas Avenue. They referred to the strip of land along St. Charles Street to the east of the cemetery between Fairfield Road and Hollywood Crescent.

"As I hold four lots within this area, I am one of the principal owners," stated Mr. Mellin. "Another large owner is Mr. Buckle, whose house is at Fairfield Road and St. Charles Street. There are also some four or five people who have smaller holdings. I am informed by Mr. Buckle that he would willingly dispose of his property to the city at a fair valuation. It is doubtful if the city will ever be able to acquire the property more cheaply or easily than at present."

"I don't believe in having a cemetery there any more than we can help," said Alderman Anderson, Chairman of the Cemetery Committee.

"This taking in roads and homes and moving sidewalks to enlarge our cemetery is utter nonsense to me. We need to establish a cemetery out in the country."

Despite the aldermen's protests he was instructed by the Council to investigate this offer of homes for the proposed cemetery annex.

LAKE ROAD

Good News For Local Improvement Frontagers on New Road.

Owners of local improvement frontages on Lake Road will gladly learn that the Sanich Council has taken precautions to safeguard their interest in the bridge which formerly carried the Victoria & Sidney railway over the road. When this scheme, which cost about \$30,000, was undertaken the Council subscribed \$10,000 towards the cost of the improvement. The Council now claims that the sale of the material must be credited to the loan, the municipality of course taking a third share as an original contributor.

Owing to the bend of the road at the bridge people living north thereof have had several narrow escapes. They will be anxious to see the central pier removed and an opening made which will ensure the safety of traffic.

Nothing that can be done now, even with the bridge removed, can straighten out the road, which curves westward at the intersection, but undoubtedly the removal of the obstruction would add to the safety for travel.

The municipality is at the present time negotiating for a number of former railway road crossings which it is claimed should be transferred to public control.

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36-inch Chiffon Taffetas, in shades of old rose, cerise, electric, apricot, peach, taupe, purple, burgundy and nigelle. Per yard, \$3.25
40-inch French Georgettes in pretty shades of sky, flesh, rose, sand, Copen, Pekin, old rose, lavender, white, black, apricot, cerise, pearl, taupe, reseed, nigger, purple and burgundy. Per yard, \$2.95
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Fringe Crash Table Runners, with tapestry bands, each, \$3.00 to\$3.50

Crash Cushion Cases, each, \$2.95 and\$3.25

Crash Cushions, each, \$4.50 to\$4.75

White Filled Muslin Cushion Cases, complete one of each only, 98¢ to\$2.69

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Dainty Handkerchiefs, of extra fine lawn; hand embroidered in a wide range of designs; 2 and 3 in attractive box with Christmas card. A box, 98¢ and\$1.00

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Ladies' Umbrellas, with useful gloria covers and strong frames, fitted with the newest shaped handles, with silk cord loops, sterling silver rings and mounts and the new colored bakelite, black and rings. Price, \$4.00, \$5.00 and\$6.00

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